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EMIGRATION CANYON COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
Minutes for July 13, 2021  
Virtual Meeting Via Zoom due to COVID-19 State of Emergency

Members Present: Bill Tobey, Matt Velinder, Greg Rudowski, Paul Brown, Bryan Johansen, Claire Clark

Members Excused/Absent: Dan Anderson, Kate Miyagi, Steve Borst, Stephanie Harpst, Michael Jimenez, Zach Posner

Also present: Michael Conn, Jake Elsasser, Willy Stokman, Tyler Tippetts, Joe Smolka

### **7:00pm Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04PM by Bill Tobey. A quorum was present. Bill made a motion to accept the May and June minutes. Claire Clark seconded the motion. The council was unanimous in accepting the May and June meeting minutes

### **Treasurer's Report**

Paul Brown was present and gave the Treasurer's report

### **UPD Report**

Officer Jake Elsasser was present and gave a summary of his report, including a reminder about the Deseret Marathon on July 23. Bryan Johnansen asked a question on behalf of Zach Posner about cyclists being 2-3 abreast, officer Elsasser clarified that it is single file only from the firehouse to Pinecrest and that cyclists can be multiple abreast in other areas as long as they are not in the traffic lane.

### **UFA Report**

Captain Conn was present and gave a summary of his report, highlighting the red flag day warnings in the canyon and extreme fire risk. He encouraged residents to review their escape and evacuation plans. Residents can still get a wildfire defensible space assessment of their home by emailing [wildfireriskassessment@unifiedfire.org](mailto:wildfireriskassessment@unifiedfire.org). He also highlighted new restrictions passed due to EXTREME fire risk, including no smoking outside, no outside grinding/welding/construction. ECCC will post this information on their website.

### **Metro Township Council**

Mayor Smolka noted the new signs that have been posted for burning and fire restrictions. He gave an update on the paving project in Killyons/Pinecrest, including burying conduit power lines and removing poles to reduce fire risk. Construction crews will be giving notice to residents

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when roads will be closed to traffic - as best they can - but there's room for improvement based on resident feedback. MTC has a new communications director that is improving communications with newsletters and information.

### **Community Comment Period**

Willy Stokman from the Emigration Sustainability Alliance gave an update on the alliance's plan for hosting a watershed plan community event. They are tentatively planning on Sept 25 at Rotary Glenn Park about 4-8pm. They are scheduling music, entertainment, crafts, information, booths, sponsors, food, and others.

### **Other Business**

Bill gave an update on chipping efforts and fire breaks being implemented. Bill and Greg did some planning for an in person Firewise event in late September.

There was a discussion about returning to in-person meetings. The council will try to maintain a hybrid meeting with Zoom, but will be in-person going forward, starting next month in August. Fully vaccinated individuals can attend and unvaccinated individuals are strongly encouraged to wear a mask.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:37PM by Paul Brown, the motion was seconded by Greg Rudowski. The rest of the council voted unanimously to adjourn. The next meeting will be August 10th at 7PM.