**Oak Hill Area Fire Safe Council Meeting Minutes 3/21/2022**

ZOOM

**Call to Order** 7:03 PM

**Roll Call**: Carolyn and Mark Pappas, Mark and Becky Leighton, Alice Cantelow and Lester Lubetkin, Linda Azevedo

**Agenda**:

* Review of the Community Day event and ideas for the future.
* Ideas on how to use the $5,000 Grant program.
* The new Home Hardening Guide and how to share the wealth of info.
* Defensible Space Trainings upcoming
* Communications - e-blasts, newsletters, frequency, etc.
* In-person future meetings or continue virtual meetings.
* Committee Reports

**Minutes**: Minutes from January 17, February 29 were not reviewed

**Items**:

1. Review of Community Day, what worked, future, changes? Unsure of count, but perhaps about 30 to 40 attendees and 20ish volunteers. Becky donated about $80 for food and most was used. Successful for first effort, in particular, Rocky Ridge Internet offered a repeater site for Radio Club on his tower. Nice that it was small and focused on OHA. Might want to do a bit more advertising next time. Perhaps a banner two weeks ahead of time. Julie N may be able to help with marketing. DJ was great! Parking worked well, very few needed to park in back. EDCFSC submitted grant request for community day events so may be some $$ for next time. Donations were $165 which covered other expenses. What time of year in future? This time of year worked well. People liked the maps and may even want to donate if we have any to spare. A speaker to advertise on a specific topic, might be useful. Venue was nice because Fire Station is in middle of our area and on the main road. Outdoors was nice compared to Placerville’s which was indoors. Other ideas for location are possible if we outgrow.
2. Title III of Secure Rural Schools Act funds from County through EDCFSC available by application. Lester presented list of example uses and proposal for applying to submit tomorrow. Approved by Board. Will need committee to set up the minigrant process. Linda will work with Mark L. before next newsletter to develop this. By April’s end.
3. New Home Hardening Guide information available, Alice will distill for newsletter.
4. Regarding MailChimp communications. How often is too often? For instance Lester sent out an unscheduled note today about Senior Defensible Space. Consensus is to go ahead and send out info, perhaps with catchy subject line. Also, would FaceBook be useful? Does take time and energy, perhaps a volunteer to work on this because it needs frequent postings. Alternates would be to refer out residents to another FSC’s FB
5. Defensible Space Trainings coming up: Inspector trainings. Heather at EDCFSC and Master Gardeners trying to develop a series of training that will go more into depth and include latest research. Geared to FSC leadership. Alice is teaching first in series on April 23. Flyer/info to come. CalFire will host 4291 training for certificates in May, then another by Master Gardeners. Mark Pappas may be interested in May training.
6. Future meetings virtual or in person? Decided to have next Board meeting in person. Question if could have a community meeting in June and inviting County Supervisor to speak on County plans post Caldor? Wildfire Risk Reduction Task Force has been established by County. Perhaps get Wendy Thomas to summarize. Cooperate with Diamond Springs FSC. Mark suggests indoors and can work on this after they return May 17th. Lester will contact DSprings FSC and Wendy Thomas.
7. Committee Reports
	1. CWPP is close to being finalized soon by County. Has been signed off by Chiefs
8. Comments:

Mark Pappas: 3 different PGE trimmers (ARCT, Mt Enterprise etc) at their place recently. 3 separate focuses: Emergency; Fungus and Rot; Grey Pine removal. He spoke to PGE supervisor about the redundancy and overlap, seems inefficient.

Lester: New PGE automatic fault sensors are being installed. It was trialed at Georgetown, but there were problems of too frequent shutoffs there and slow to restart. Idea: perhaps for NL, might gather information and offer a PGE update. Lester and Mark Pappas will work on this.

**Next Meeting**: Monday May 16th, in Person at Pappas house, 4PM

**Adjourned**: 8:29PM