



The mission of the Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council is to preserve Grizzly Flats' natural and manmade resources by informing, educating and mobilizing all residents and landowners to make their homes, properties, neighborhoods and the community fire safe, supporting emergency response efficiency, and to provide area-wide cooperation, innovation, and action in an effort to buffer the Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council's Sphere of Recognition from catastrophic wildfire.

Minutes – April 6, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

Meeting Location: In-Person at Leoni Meadows, Cosumnes Room, first room on the right

1. **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by Chairman Mark Almer.
2. **Flag Salute** - The flag salute was conducted by Corde Wagner.
3. **Roll Call** - The attendance was taken by Chairperson Mark Almer.
4. **Timekeeper Volunteer** - The time keeping volunteer was David Manske.
5. **Approval of the April 6, 2024 Agenda** - A motion was made by David Manske to approve the agenda as amended. A second was made by Mel Kelley. The motion passed unanimously.
6. **Approval of the March 2, 2024 Minutes** - A motion was made by Mel Kelley to approve the minutes as submitted. A second was made by David Manske. The motion passed unanimously.
7. **Treasurer's Report** – Mark Almer - Mark Almer gave the treasurer's report. See link for full report:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1TYxGVzgA6T5RilC7QDxgga45NSpUlqs-nmRXY0clrEg/edit?usp=sharing>
8. **Agency Reports**
 - a. Pioneer Fire Protection District – PFPD Chief Dave Whitt/Fire Marshal Ken Earle - not present
 - b. Report of Information from Pioneer FPD meeting/GFFSC Information to be shared at PFPD Board Meeting – David Manske/Robin Kelley – David Manske shared that the PFPD received the FEMA funds and will be used for maintenance of the PFPD equipment.
 - c. El Dorado County Sheriff's Office / OES – Deputy Scott Bare/Deputy Greg Almos/Deputy Kris Kersmarki - not present
 - d. El Dorado County Fire Safe Council – Ernie Lory - Ernie Lory reported minutes taken at the March 20, 2024 meeting. Link to minutes:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1eN3HxOL_IADVACSCSX5qKHnhv9rtMuhxID89NGkYEAE/edit?usp=sharing

- e. California Highway Patrol – Public Information Officer Andrew Brown - not present
- f. El Dorado Resource Conservation District – Mark Egbert - not present
- g. U.S. Forest Service – Placerville Dist. Ranger Andrew Mishler - not present
- h. CAL FIRE, Amador-El Dorado Unit –Battalion Chief Josh Vickers / Public Information Officer Wendy Oaks - not present
- i. State Senate District 4 – Heidi Mayerhofer - not present
- j. Team Rubicon – Corde Wagner - Corde Wagner presented the Team Rubicon the Golden Grizzly project scheduled for April 19, 2024-May 21, 2024. Link to Corde Wagner’s presentation
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1U6SI-yyI_jfQXNH9RCV8OSoQ90K7vMP2/view?usp=sharing

9. Neighboring Fire Safe Councils

- a. Aukum/Fairplay - not present
- b. Omo Ranch - not present
- c. Sand Ridge - not present

10. Old Business

- a. GFFSC Vacancies – Mark Almer – Discussion/Action - Mark Almer reported there are 10 vacancies and to tell friends and neighbors.
- b. Time Sheet Submittal – David Manske – Discussion - David Manske gave an update on the timesheets and reminded everyone to turn in their time sheets and shared that we are a Firewise community and this is important for insurance in many cases.
- c. Routes Out of the Community Signage – Mark Almer - Discussion/Action - Mark Almer shared that he doesn’t have any significant updates other than the signage project is still in progress.
- d. GFFSC 20th Anniversary Committee – Ernie Lory / Deirdre Girardi – Discussion
Ernie Lory and Deirdre Girardi gave an update on the slide deck and a published hardback book that would be given to people who played a significant role in the council over the past 20 years.
- e. Green Waste bag distribution: Week of May 6th - Mark Almer - Discussion/Action - Ernie Lory and Mark Almer gave an update which included giving out the composable green waste bags week of May 6th and scheduling a week with the county chipping program in the week of May 20, 2024. Mark Almer signed up members to staff the table at the Post Office for the bag giveaway. The goal is to have the bags readily available and the week long chipping program.
- f. Defensible Space Assessor Training - Ernie Lory / David Manske - Discussion/Action - Ernie Lory reported that the April training date was canceled and will be rescheduled.

- g. 2024 Firewise Day / Revised Date – Mark Almer – Discussion/Action -Mark Almer gave an overview of the planning of the event including the committees and fundraising with a silent auction.

11. New Business

- a. FireWise Silent Auction Donations – Mark Almer - Discussion/Action - Charlene Ank and Deirdre Girardi reported out the current status of the silent auction items. Currently, there are approximately 10 items.
- b. Community Service Award Nominations - Mark Almer - Discussion/Action - Mark Almer presented the nomination protocols and set the date for all nominations to be submitted by April 20th.
- c. Residential Chipping Event: Week of May 20th - Ernie Lory – Discussion/Action - Ernie Lory provided an update on this event.

12. Committee Reports

- a. Public Education - Mark Almer - Mark Almer reported that he's updated Facebook posts announcing the Chipping Event and the giveaway of green waste bags. He also shared that the council purchased banners advertising events and public information that are posted on the Post Office bulletin board.
- b. Defensible Space – David Manske / Liz Lawless / Matt Nunley / Robin Kelley - David Manske and Mark Almer shared that they will be doing an evaluation on April 6th.
- c. Grants – Ernie Lory / David Manske - no new information
- d. Fundraising – David Manske / Robin Kelley - David Manske shared that he has had some requests for reflective signs. Information about this is posted on the community bulletin board and will be posted on the GFFSC website and social media websites.
- e. Website – Deirdre Girardi / Kelly Krohn / Robin Kelley - Deirdre Giardi reported that she has been updating the website with Team Rubicon’s presentation and ROE information as well as other public information.

- 13. Public Comment** – Limited to 3 minutes for items not already on the agenda. - Kelly Krohn gave an overview of other El Dorado county community group meetings and events.

- 14. Council Member Comments** – Limited to 3 minutes for items not already on the agenda. none

- 15. Public Announcements** - none

- 16. For the Good of the Order** - none

- 17. Adjourn** - Mel Kelley motioned and Charlene Ank seconded to adjourn the meeting at 12:06. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Deirdre Marsh-Girardi

Deirdre Girardi

Secretary