



**Town of Green Mountain Falls
Regular Fire Mitigation Advisory Board Meeting Agenda
10615 Green Mountain Falls Road
June 30, 2021 7:00 PM**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present

David Douglas
Dan Battin
Rich Bowman
Nathan Scott

Board Members Absent

Alternate

Secretary

Matt Gordon

Town Staff Present

Matt Gordon

Regular Meeting:

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance
Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM. Pledge recited.

2. Additions, Deletions, or Corrections to the Agenda
Chair Douglas moved to adjust the agenda move agenda item 7a to reports and to move 8a and 8b following the reports section. Members had no objections.

3. Persons Present Not on the Agenda, 3 Minutes per Speaker

4. Consent Agenda
Vice Chair Scott moved to approve. Second by Member Bowman. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Presentation and Q/A by US Forest Service NEPA Planner, Jenn DeWoody
US Forest Service Ranger and NEPA Planner Jen DeWoody and Fire Management Officer for the Pikes Peak Ranger District, Eric Zantotto, presented on how the USFS partners with local governments and organizations for fuels mitigation on land that is immediately adjacent to federal forest service land, current USFS projects in the region, current fire preparedness, tools for fuels reduction partnerships, and Pikes Peak Ranger District Process.

Members asked questions regarding interacting with USFS regarding fuels mitigation and building relationships and pursuing a Good Neighbor Agreement. DeWoody and Zantotto explained that this meeting was a great first step. Members committed to keeping the USFS involved in GMF fuels mitigation activities.

6. Reports
Michelle Connelly from CUSP provided an update on a 40-acre fuels mitigation grant on public property that was confirmed funded by the State of Colorado and a grant application submitted for a 25-acre fuels mitigation grant. Members discussed where they would like to use these funds for fuels mitigation, when money needs to be spent by, the necessity of having an award letter before work can begin, a request that CUSP provide data on which private property owners have

completed mitigation, the desire to have the Town advertise fuel mitigation projects to residents, requests from residents regarding potential funding for private fuels mitigation, and risk assessment maps in determining private fuels mitigation cost share potential.

Member Bowman moved for grant funds to be expended on continuing and ultimately finishing the Thomas Trail project. Seconded by Vice Chair Scott. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion transitioned to the Iona/Scott Ave fuels mitigation project as well as right-of-way work. The plan discussed by members was to complete a mortality assessment and to bring on a volunteer surveyor to survey the public property lines for both Iona/Scott and right-of-ways before beginning fuels mitigation work.

7. New Business

Member Battin moved to recommend Fred Thrash to the BOT for appointment to the FMAC. Seconded by Member Scott. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion moved on to changing the FMAC meeting dates and times. Members unanimously agreed to meet on the last Monday of each month at 6:30 pm.

Discussion then transitioned to further discussion on previously tabled item, Evacuation Plan. Vice Chair Scott and Member Bowman provided details on the creation of evac maps that focus more on residential areas, cleaning up confusing language in the plan, and members agreed that the Evac Plan would be ready for the first BOT meeting in August.

Chair Douglas shared that he is working with the Kirkpatrick Foundation on education programs related to fire topics for residents in Green Mountain Falls.

8. Correspondence

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 PM.

Secretary

Chair