Fire Mitigation Advisory Committee meeting minutes Monday, November 27, 2023

<u>Committee Members Present</u> <u>Trustee Members Present</u>

David Douglas, chair None

Paul Yingling, vice chair

Kelly Hunter, member
Lisa Huizenga, member

Town Staff Present

(All members on Zoom) Bo Ayad

Recording Secretary

None. (Minutes taken from Zoom video)

1. ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER Chair Douglas called the meeting to order at 6 pm

2. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Hunter moved to adopt the agenda with no changes. Yingling seconded. Motion passed on voice vote.
- b. Hunter moved the committee approve the Oct. 30, 2023 minutes. Yingling seconded. Motion passed on voice vote.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT None

4. OLD BUSINESS

a. Approval of committee members for terms beginning January 2024

Hunter moved the committee recommend the following slate of members to the Board of Trustees. Huizenga seconded. Motion approved on voice vote.

David Douglas One year term Paul Yingling, Lisa Huizenga, Kelly Hunter Three-year term Open seat One year term

b. Education update

Huizenga and Hunter discussed suggested ideas and topics for community meetings that would feature You Tube videos dealing with defensive space around homes and other

mitigation tactics, recovery from a fire, and insurance. Another suggestion is to ask residents to send in photos of their homes so FMAC can use them in a public meeting discussing good mitigation and areas needing improvement.

They also reported Nancy Dixon's suggestion to put signs at both entrances of GMF noting fire danger levels and other signage recommendations. Dixon also recommends FMAC update the town-prepared fliers required in short term rentals to educate visitors on fire prevention in the mountains.

The Red Cross will also be involved in education projects.

Douglas asked Hunter and Huizenga to bring a written plan incorporating these ideas to FMAC's December meeting. Hunter will contact Church in the Wildwood about dates for holding meetings in January or February. Douglas will talk to Jesse Stroope, Parks, Recreation & Trails Committee chair, about sign-making capabilities and making signs that are aesthetically appealing. He will investigate rules regarding signage in GMF.

Tip of the Month: Huizenga moved, and Hunter seconded a motion to adopt the Red Cross's Christmas tree safety tips as December's tip. Motion adopted on voice vote.

Property owner database: Yingling reported no new signups.

Volunteer groups: Huizenga reported no new developments.

- **5. NEW BUSINESS** There was no new business before the committee.
- **6. REPORTS** No reports
- 7. CORRESPONDENCE No correspondence
- 8. NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is Monday, Dec. 18, 2023. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.