

**LASSEN COUNTY FIRE SAFE COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
September 09, 2019**

The Lassen County Fire Safe Council (LCFSC) convened in regular session at 6:35 p.m. on September 09, 2019 at the Susan River Fire Protection Office located at 705-145 Hwy 395 in Johnstonville. Officers present were Chair Lloyd Keefer, Managing Director Tom Esgate and Secretary/Treasurer Nicki Moroney.

- I. **Opening and Welcome:** Lloyd Keefer welcomed everyone and asked everyone to sign-in. He also asked that everyone introduce themselves. N. Moroney gave the Treasurer's Report.
- II. **Public Comment** – No comments.
- III. **Managing Director's Report** – Tom reported on the following:

Active Projects

SNC Diamond Mountain Treatment (Beaty) – Tubit doing a biomass operation, Evans with mastication. On track to finish by the end of year when the grant expires.

SNC Diamond Mountain USFS – Prescribed burning through 2023, hope to get the first burning piles started this winter.

CCI/FH Diamond Mountain – Full report at the last meeting. On track to get the timber sale out this year. Hand crews look like they will exceed our expectations and get a third of the work done.

CCI/FP –

South Eagle Lake – Per D. Hansen, piling along the road going well. In Lake Forest he has 48 exemptions in, probably about 10 that are completely done. Hoping to treat everyone that signed up.

Big Valley Mountain – Doing biomass and handwork in DLB community. Masticating on SPI ground, will spray next year to keep the brush down. Biomass on Beaty ground, using Peterson and White. We anticipate resuming mastication work in the DLB area once we get some moisture in the area. One issue is Burney Forest Power shut down for a bit and that has created a lot of chaos and tension, not having places to haul material. Per M. Shaffer he has good news, will talk to T. Esgate about it later.

Clear Creek – CCI Fire Prevention community portion done, waiting on the THP.

Piute WWUI – Close to getting the biomass done.

Milford Title III – Tim Keesey is working on it, finalizing an evacuation plan.

BLM South Ash Valley – Nothing to report.

Title III Report

CWPP – Still in the process of following up, need Plumas & Modoc reporting. Hopeful to finalize soon.

Firewise Communities – Need to work on Lookout and Little Valley. We have ten Firewise communities and we help them to get recertified every year.

Cal Fire GHG

South Eagle Lake – On Beaty ground doing mastication down by the marina.

Black Mountain/PRCD – Should finish up this year. Per M. Shaffer we have an additional cutting machine on the project that will get us really close to meeting our objectives on the Forest Service and spending the money.

DLB Shasta Title III – Doing a CWPP update that consists of a Firewise community assessment and action plan.

Thompson Peak Initiative – T. Esgate sent out maps today, will send to D. Hansen so he can update the parcel maps. Need to send D. Hansen and M. Shaffer the Thompson Peak Initiative meeting information. T. Esgate send out an email to the initial group about the upcoming meeting. Per P. Good we need to expand the group, need to get the word out. N. Moroney to check on putting it on Susanville Stuff.

Applications/New Potential Projects

NFWF SNC Diamond Mountain USFS – Per T. Esgate we received an inquiry from SNC would like to give us some money for capacity building. Special interest will be on the Thompson Peak Initiative.

- IV. Agency Updates –**
BLM – No report.
Cal Fire – No report.
SNC – No report
NE CA Fire Prevention – No report.
USFS – No report.
NRCS - No report.
Susan River FPD – No report.
Janesville FPD – No report.
OES – No report.
SPI – Not a lot to update. On BVM project, Evans finished along the ridge, through Beaty property, plantations and natural stands. Now he is down on the north side of 299 between the A Line and private property, beating the manzanita brush down, will spray the area next year. Chipping done for now. McGarr is still out.
Honey Lake Power – Per M. Shaffer, Gordon is actively looking for his replacement.
Beaty – No report.
Lassen County – No report.
Honey Lake Valley RCD – Per W. Johnson he has nothing to report.
SIR – Per W. Johnson he has nothing to report.
- VI. Other** – Per M. Shaffer he talked to his insurance person today and the fire came up; says AAA is dropping people in Lassen County. Per K. Cobb there is a moratorium on all homeowner policies in Lassen County until the fire is out.
- VII. Next Meeting** - The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 07, 2019 at Susan River Fire Protection District office.
- VIII. Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.