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**MINUTES
FIRE SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, April 28, 2021
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Board Chambers
Zoom Options**

AGENDA

1. Call the Meeting to Order: Ryan Campbell called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.
 - a. Introductions
 - Supervisor Ryan Campbell District 2
 - Supervisor David Goldemberg District 1
 - Andy Murphy Tuolumne County Fire
 - Malcolm Carden
 - Wesley Brenegan
 - Jerry McGowan
 - Scott Fremd
 - Monica Fox
 - Glenn Gottschall
 - Dennis Randall
 - Eric Holly
 - City of Sonora Fire Chief Amie New
 - Fire Chief Mark Ferreira
 - Tuolumne County Sheriff - Lt. Pippin
 - Simi Bhangoo
 - Traci Williams
 - OES Coordinator, Dore Bietz
2. Public Comment: none
3. Staff Reports:
 - a. County Counsel Sarah provided an overview of the Brown Act.
 - b. Office of Emergency Services – Dore Bietz, Coordinator
 1. purpose and goals, and that the BOS identified Fire Safety as a top priority.
 2. OES update, fire and safety issues
 - a. Grants Management

- b. Volunteer Programs
- c. Evacuation Planning
- d. TCTC Subgrant for Evacuation Planning
- e. Messaging to visitors
- f. Messaging to citizens – Everbridge
- g. GIS mapping for evacuations
- h. EOC update, improving capabilities, standing up a true EOC
- i. Communications: Lack of radio, broadband, cell coverage – gaps in coverage
- j. OES Facebook page
- k. Wildfire Preparedness Day May 1, 2021. Everyone has a role – personal responsibility
- l. Firewise – Tuolumne County now has eight recognized communities
- m. Updating the OES Firewise website

No Public Comment

4. Action Items:

- 1. Board of Forestry Regulations
 - a. Discussion ensued regarding these new regulations and the effects on our community, businesses, and revenue.
 - b. Discussion on establishing working groups
 - i. New name for Everbridge
 - 1. Community Connect?
 - ii. Governance
 - 1. What can this committee recommend to the BOS to create ordinances to enact County wide.
 - iii. Emergency Planning – Categorize Highest Risks
 - c. Create Vision and Mission Statement
 - d. Invite County Counsel to discuss 700 forms

No Public Comment

- 2. Discussion items:
 - a. Committee members discussed communication between citizens and emergency responders
 - b. Resources used by emergency personnel include
 - i. AVL Auto Vehicle Locator,
 - ii. MDC Mobile Data Computer,
 - iii. Shape Files for fire, water.
 - iv. IROC – Resource Order
 - v. SCOUT – draws perimeter showing number of homes within the area indicated.
 - vi. Pocket Cards – History of fire, weather etc.
 - c.
 - d. Does an owner have a responsibility to maintain the frontage of their property?
 - e. Maintaining vacant lots: PML has a great example of a per parcel to pay

- for the upkeep.
- f. Road ownership – property owners vs County ownership
- g. Vegetation Management
- h. Dead Fuel in Right of Ways
- i. Can the FSAC decide on how grant funds are spent or only provide direction?
- j. Educating the public on evacuating early – “Do you want to be a hero, Evacuate Early.”

No Public Comment

3. Next Agenda Items:

- a. Invite Sheriff Pooley to speak on legalities of evacuating people
- b. Invite Dave Ruby to next FSAC meeting
- c. Rebranding of Everbridge
 - i. Chief Aimee New has a great idea
- d. Data of Opt-in on Everbridge by communities – Geo Location
- e. Team Elite of Animal Control
 - i. List of homeowners with livestock
 - ii. Discuss animal evacuations, care during evacuation.

No Public Comment

5. Adjourn

- a. Next Fire Safety Advisory Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 26, 2021, at 11:00 a.m.

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