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**MINUTES
FIRE SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, July 28, 2021
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Board Chambers
Zoom Options**

AGENDA

1. Call the Meeting to Order: Ryan Campbell called the meeting to order at 10:31 am and roll was taken.
 - i. Committee Members present (quorum established)
 1. Supervisor Ryan Campbell -District 2
 2. Supervisor David Goldemberg - District 1
 3. Chief Andy Murphy- Tuolumne County Fire
 4. Chief Aimee New – Sonora City, remote via zoom
 5. Sheriff Bill Pooley – Tuolumne County Sheriff
 6. Dennis Randall – District 2 public representative
 7. Wesley Brenegan – District 3 public representative
 8. Eric Holly – District 4 public representative
 9. Malcolm Carden – District 5 – public representative
 10. Chief Mark Ferreira – Tuolumne County Fire Chief’s Association, remote via Zoom
 11. Monica Fox – Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians
 - ii. Others present
 1. Neil Evans -Tuolumne County Undersheriff
 2. Traci Williams – OES staff
 3. Dore Bietz – OES Coordinator
 4. Bruce Abbott – Citizen – local realtor
 5. Sam Zabell – Tuolumne County GIS Technician
 6. Madlin Amblin – Tuolumne County GIS Coordinator, via Zoom
 7. Tyler Summersett – Tuolumne County Transportation Council Planner
 8. Shannon Thaggard – Tuolumne County Transportation Council Planner
 9. Public on Zoom – various folks
2. Public Comment on anything not on the agenda:
 - i. Bruce Abbott spoke regarding fire safety presented information on items he researched relating

to personal home fire protection that he wanted to share with committee members.

3. Approval of Minutes:

i. Approval of June 23, 2021 minutes

1. Malcom Carden noted a typo on page 2 of Everbride, change made. Chief Andy Murphy moved to approve with corrections, and Sheriff Bill Pooley seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.

4. Old Business:

1. Sheriff Bill Pooley – Alert FM follow up discussion on price, maintenance fees, etc. System is an additional layer of notification to residents. Cost is \$950,000.00/ 5 years, \$230,000.00 a year initial contract, \$40,000.00 annual maintenance.
 - i. Action Item: Drill down community roads coverage map. County GIS will work with contractor on.
 - ii. Action Item: County OES and Sheriff to discuss funding, grants; contact Calaveras and Mariposa counties about an interest in sharing the cost.
 - iii. Action Item: Community Outreach, create a poll to survey community interest in another layer of notification.

No Public Comment

5. Reports/Presentations:

i. Sam Zabell – Tuolumne County GIS Technician, and Madelin Amblin Tuolumne County GIS Coordinator.

1. Presentation and discussion about the County GIS maps for evacuation egress routes detailing how the community can access their area maps. Referenced Plumas County's mapping system for egress to feeder roads. OES will ensure these maps link to the website.

No Public Comment

ii. Tyler Summersett – Tuolumne County Transportation Council Planner.

1. Presentation and discussion on the Evacuation Planning Grant received regarding grant objectives and timelines, egress routes, planning, and strategies the contract is awarded to the consultant firm of Kittleson Engineering.

No Public Comment

iii. Office of Emergency Services Update –Tuolumne County OES Coordinator

1. Presented the outreach and engagement video with Tuolumne County Sheriff Bill Pooley, Unit Fire Chief Nick Casci - Tuolumne County Fire, Jason Kuiken, Stanislaus National Forest Forrester, and Dore Bietz, OES Coordinator
2. Discussion of sirens in Twain Harte, Tuolumne City, need clear and concise messaging that will not confuse citizens, all sirens = same information, need for defined process to prevent homeowners from installing sirens on houses. Tuolumne Safe wants to fund the cost, outreach, and maintenance of some.
3. Firewise Communities – currently approved 11 firewise communities within Tuolumne County, with three more pending.

No Public Comment

6. Working Groups

i. Communication and Education Outreach

1. Video Project Update – discussion of places to distribute and show
 - i. Pinecrest Movie Theater
 - ii. Regal Sonora Movie Theater
 - iii. Partner websites: USFS, MyMotherlode.com, Social Media, partners
2. DMV possible advertising of 30 second videos on fire preparedness.
3. Committee Work Group Members identified:
 - i. Supervisor Ryan Campbell
 - ii. Wesley Brenegan – District 3 public representative
 - iii. Monica Fox - Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians

ii. Governance

1. Vegetation Ordinance – working session of outline, bring back to the August meeting for the committee to work on the phrasing. Need for dedicated time on agenda to work on.
2. Legislative – List of current federal and state legislation, the list will be updated as new information is received.
3. OES Coordinator recommended that the next meeting be focused on creating the Vegetation Ordinance; invite Community Development Coordinator, County Counsel.
4. Committee Workgroup Members identified:
 - i. Supervisor David Goldemberg
 - ii. Chief Aimee New – Sonora City
 - iii. Dennis Randall – District 2
 - iv. Malcolm Carden – District 5

iii. Emergency Planning

1. Committee Workgroup Members identified:
 - i. Supervisor David Goldemberg
 - ii. Tuolumne County Sheriff Bill Pooley
 - iii. Aimee New – Sonora City
 - iv. Chief Mark Ferreira – Tuolumne County Fire Chief’s Association

No Public Comment

7. Adjourned at 12:30 pm

- i. Next Fire Safety Advisory Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 25, 2021, at 10:30 am

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