

MARIN VALLEY MOBILE COUNTRY CLUB
PARK ACQUISITION CORPORATION
Firewise/MVEST Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

Via Zoom Videoconferencing
June 8, 2020, 5:00 p.m.

MVEST Steering Committee Members Present: Bill Davis, John Feld, John Hansen, Carol-Joy Harris, Kevin Mulvany, Steve Plocher, Erma Wheatley
Other MVEST team members and residents present: Pam Berkon, Joe DeAvila, Judi Purdom, Ellen Jane Schulz, Pat Thompson

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

Public Comment

None.

Consent Calendar

Minutes of the June 1 meeting were approved.

Old Business

Coronavirus

Most Park residents continue show good compliance with public health orders.

Weather Radio Alert System

No update.

Park Security

No new camping activity has been noted within or around the Park, but again Park residents are asked to be vigilant and report any suspicious goings-on to Matt Greenberg.

Bill has discussed the site of the recent (May 23) fire at the top of the hill near the water tank (the tank that is between MVMCC and Hamilton Woods) with the Novato Fire District, which has promised to inspect the site. Charges have been brought against the suspected arsonists, who are juveniles.

There have been sightings of apparent picnicking activity in the hills near the Park entrance. Kevin continues to do site inspections and to work with this committee, Matt, and the police department on these issues.

CERT

No report.

Firewise/FIRESafe Marin

John H. will attend the meeting of the new joint powers agency, the Marin Wildfire Protection Authority, on June 18.

Concerning defensible space projects, Bill is working with the resident and with Matt on 160 Marin Valley Drive.

There was a discussion about the work near 196 and 198 Marin Valley Drive, which has issues of drainage and hillside subsidence, fire-prone plant mitigation, and pedestrian safety, as well as being on the primary evacuation route of the Park. Therefore, this committee will recommend to the PAC Board to prioritize this project, possibly including the hiring of an engineer.

John H., with the help of Bill and Carol-Joy, will produce a webinar for Park residents concerning preparations residents can make to prepare for this year's fire season, which is expected to be particularly brutal. It will focus on hardscaping the "zero zone," the area within 5 feet of residences, and fire-smart landscaping in general. The webinar would be recorded and put on the website for viewing later. It may include a panel of gardening experts for a question-and-answer period at the end of the webinar. Residents will be informed about it with a tube flyer and a robocall, and it is planned for July.

A Park-wide evacuation exercise was discussed, to be held in August. We will work with the Novato Fire District. Again, a tube flyer and a robocall will inform residents.

Hand crews continue to work on cutting down the weeds all around the Park, and the goats are expected soon.

Novato Fire District

No report.

Echo Article

In addition to John F.'s article on making preparations for your death, John H. has submitted an article about this year's fire season.

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Links to access the FIRESafe Marin videos will be added to our website.

New Business

None.

Next Meeting

Monday, June 15, at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom teleconferencing.

Residents who are not on this committee who would like to attend, please contact John Hansen so that he may send you an "invitation" to join the call via your computer or phone.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol-Joy Harris
Recording Secretary