

**MARIN VALLEY MOBILE COUNTRY CLUB**  
**PARK ACQUISITION CORPORATION**  
**MVEST/Firewise Steering Committee Meeting Minutes**  
Via Zoom Videoconferencing  
August 10, 2020, 5:00 p.m.

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

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

Public Comment

Ellen Jane reported that her junipers have been cut down by a helpful neighbor, Tenaya Asan, whom she acknowledged and thanked.

David suggested that someone in MVEST talk to City staff about vegetation management. John H. responded that if it relates to fire, the Novato Fire District is the responsible entity.

Peggy commented on the existence of residences in the Park with wildly overgrown vegetation, posing a fire hazard, and asked about how to manage that issue.

John F. reported on a fire yesterday near China Camp, of which flames and smoke were visible from the Park, highlighting our vulnerability to fire during this “fire season.”

Consent Calendar

Minutes of the August 3 meeting were approved.

Reports

Coronavirus

As far as we know, Marin Valley remains Covid-free, which is likely a direct result of residents and visitors adhering to local and state health care directives, mainly wearing masks – correctly – and maintaining social distance.

### Marin County Firewise/FIRESafe Marin

John H. reported that there will be a FIRESafe Marin monthly meeting on Friday, August 14 at 9:00 a.m. Bruce Goines, President of Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (MWPA), will make a presentation about the MWPA and about important pending state legislation, AB 2167 and SB 292. That meeting will be immediately followed by the monthly Firewise leaders meeting at 11:00. Both meetings are via Zoom. Contact John H. for an invitation.

John H. reported that there will be a FIRESafe Marin webinar via Zoom on Tuesday, August 25 at 6:00 p.m. called "Community Organizing for Fire Preparedness & Incorporation of Ecologically Sound Practices." To join the meeting, go to <https://firesafemarin.zoom.us/j/87382415962>. John H. will be one of the featured speakers of the event, which will be recorded for later viewing at any time on the FIRESafe Marin website.

Working with FIRESafe Marin, John H. has secured a chipper day for the Park, which will be on August 26. This will help our landscaping crews clear more areas, since they will save the time they would have spent chipping. In preparation for this event, on Sunday, August 23 Park residents should come to the south end of Club View to help gather the cleared vegetation for chipping. People should wear gloves. In fact, people may also bring their own woody vegetation (maximum length of 10 feet) to be chipped as well. If the resident is unable to bring their wood to this area, the chipper can come to their home address for the few minutes the chipping will take. To register for this curbside service on August 26, go to [chipperday.com/marin](http://chipperday.com/marin).

### 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.

Regarding the apparent picnicking activity on the hill near the Park entrance, because our community members are very worried about the possibility of wildfire, residents should notify the Novato Police of this activity if they see it so that officers can divert the picnickers to a more appropriate site, such as a local park.

Firewise

There was a discussion about the MVEST webinar of August 6, which was viewed as a success overall. John H. will write an article about it for the next *Echo*. In addition, John F. will write up the questions that were asked that were not answered in the one-hour webinar, along with the answers. This will be put on the Marin Valley website next to the webinar video recording.

A Park-wide evacuation exercise is being planned for late summer. John F., John H., David King, and Erma are working on this. A tube flyer and a robocall will inform residents.

There was a discussion about community-wide clearing days, an idea which will be agendized at the next PAC Board meeting.

Novato Fire District

No report.

CERT

No report.

Echo Article

See above.

John F. has also written an article regarding facial coverings and how to properly use them.

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Dave Tetta, Anila Manning, and Erma are continuing to update the MVEST and coronavirus areas of the website. The MVEST minutes will be placed as a subsection of PAC at the bottom where the PAC Board minutes are and will be deleted on a quarterly basis to keep the website up to date.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Next Meeting

Monday, August 17, 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 email invitation to join the call via your computer or phone.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol-Joy Harris  
Recording Secretary