

**MARIN VALLEY MOBILE COUNTRY CLUB**  
**PARK ACQUISITION CORPORATION**  
**MVEST/Firewise Steering Committee Meeting Minutes**  
Via Zoom Videoconferencing  
August 24, 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

Absent: Pam Berkon

Other MVEST team members and residents present: David King, Judi Purdom, Ellen Jane Schulz

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

Public Comment

Ellen Jane suggested painting the bumpers in front of the curb at the clubhouse, as they pose a tripping hazard. John H. responded that Novato Public Works would have to be involved, but that we will bring up the issue with Matt.

Consent Calendar

Minutes of the August 17 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.

Concerning the November 3 election, it is still not known yet whether Marin Valley will again be a polling place. Carol-Joy reported that she has again contacted resident Jim Harais, the longtime Chief Inspector at our polling place, for more information. Several ideas for polling place safety in the time of Covid-19 were discussed.

### Marin County Firewise/FIRESafe Marin

John H. reported that the topic of the FIRESafe Marin webinar via Zoom on Tuesday, August 25 at 6:00 p.m. has been changed. It will be on “Evacuations and Warnings: How to Survive a Wildfire” and will be recorded for later viewing at any time on the FIRESafe Marin website.

John H. also mentioned a link to report fire fuel removal, but it is considered not relevant for Marin Valley at this time. It is <https://form.jotform.com/91975418644166>.

### Park Security

No new camping activity has been noted within or around the Park, but, as always, 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.

The committee thanked Kevin for his continuing to work on this issue.

### Firewise

The Red Flag Day warning that was in effect over the weekend will end today, and Bill, who put up the flags and banners, will take them down.

More rolling blackouts are expected this summer, so residents should be prepared. Matt has had the battery replaced on the clubhouse backup generator.

Working with FIRESafe Marin, John H. has secured a chipper day for the Park, which has been planned for 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, some Park residents gathered on August 23 at the south end of Club View to help gather the cleared vegetation for chipping. Even before that, Kevin did much work at the site, for which this committee acknowledged and thanked him. John H. reported that because of the many fires, the chipper day schedule is altered, and our date may be postponed.

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.

A discussion was held about residents with special needs in the event of an evacuation. John H. will contact Matt about how best to get information to caregivers, who may or may not be live-in helpers.

#### Novato Fire District

Bill reported that NFD is very busy now with all the fires here and elsewhere.

#### CERT

There was no report, though John H. reported that there is much support throughout the county for Neighborhood Response Groups such as MVEST.

#### Echo Article

John F. will write yet another article on grab-and-go bags, a subject which, though covered in many MVEST events and articles, never loses importance.

#### Marinvalley.net

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.

It was suggested that at some point a video on grab-and-go bags could be made by MVEST and put on the website.

#### Old Business

None.

#### New Business

None.

Next Meeting

Monday, August 31, 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