

MARIN VALLEY MOBILE COUNTRY CLUB
PARK ACQUISITION CORPORATION
MVEST/Firewise Steering Committee Meeting Minutes
Via Zoom Videoconferencing
January 4, 2021, 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

Absent: David Gray

Other MVEST team members and residents present: Judi Purdom, Ellen Jane Schulz, Jay Shelfer

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

Public Comment

None.

Consent Calendar

Minutes of the December 21 meeting were approved.

Reports

Coronavirus

No change. That is, 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. As the weather has cooled, activities have moved indoors, and cases are surging dangerously, Marin has moved to a period of increased restrictions. As most Marin Valley residents are in a vulnerable age group, we all need to be even more cautious than ever, despite the fact that we may be experiencing “pandemic fatigue.”

Vaccinations for our “tier” are probably still months away. When they are ready for our population, there is a possibility that our clubhouse may be used as a vaccination site. MVEST committee members are exploring this possibility with the appropriate officials.

Firewise

See meeting and webinar information below under “Marin County Firewise.”

John F. is developing an instructional video regarding resident utility connections. This will be the first in a series of video trainings to be posted on www.marinvalley.net. John H. will help with the video production. Besides posting on the website, these presentations may also be planned to train residents in real time.

Park Security

Kevin continues to monitor the area in and around the Park, and he has noticed no new camping activity lately. As always, Park residents are asked to be vigilant and report any suspicious goings-on to Matt Greenberg. Of course, if you see an actual crime occur, it is best to call 9-1-1 immediately. It is helpful to have a description of the vehicle or persons involved and a license plate number if possible. A smartphone camera can aid in this endeavor. Also, if a resident finds evidence of something such as the residue of a fire in the surrounding hills, it is requested that the evidence not be disturbed so that the incident can be properly investigated.

There was a recent theft of a utility trailer from the Park. The incident was reported to the police, and the license plate reader on Marin Valley Drive recorded the license plate number of the stolen trailer but not of the SUV that towed the trailer out of the Park. Matt will add more cameras which will record license plate numbers of vehicles coming into the Park.

Kevin will write an article for the *Echo* about pedestrian safety in the Park.

EyeOn App

This application (app), which costs about \$10, allows users to create check-ins on their smartphone or tablet, and it will signal for help if they don't respond. Members of the committee will conduct a trial of the app to help decide whether MVEST is disposed to widely recommend it to Park residents. Recipients of these minutes are encouraged to test the app and give feedback to this committee to help in this process. Erma put some information about it in the cover email to the January *Echo* so that there is as much feedback as possible about the app's possible usefulness to Park residents. Residents can submit feedback to John Hansen. There will be

financial aid to defray the \$10 cost to the first 10 applicants who ask MVEST for such aid.

Marin County Firewise/FIRESafe MARIN

John H. reported that there will be a FIRESafe MARIN webinar via Zoom on Tuesday, January 26 at 6:00 p.m. Called “Fire Adapted Communities,” the link is <https://firesafemarin.zoom.us/j/87382415962>. If the Zoom call is at capacity, it can be viewed in real time on Facebook. It will be available for viewing after the event on the FIRESafe MARIN website and also on our website, www.marinvalley.net.

John H. also urged the committee members and everyone else to attend the Firewise Leaders Zoom meeting to be held Friday, January 8 at 11:00 a.m. The link is <https://firesafemarin.zoom.us/j/87919166406>. It will be preceded at 9:00 a.m. by the FIRESafe MARIN Board of Directors meeting. Contact John H. for that link. Both meetings are open to the public and always include good information.

Members of this committee will be participating in a pilot study of NOAA weather radios to test the possibility of their replacing or augmenting the Alert Marin system in case of power outage. The radios have not yet been distributed to the committee members but have been promised soon.

Novato Fire District

No report.

Echo Articles

John F. will write an article for the February issue about kitchen safety.

Kevin will write an article about pedestrian safety (see above).

Erma will include information about the EyeOn app (see above).

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Our website continues to be updated and improved.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Pam broached the idea of an informational meeting via Zoom that would tell the MVEST story, particularly to new residents, in an effort to recruit new Block Captains. The idea will be taken up at a future meeting.

Next Meeting

Monday, January 11 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 agenda, which includes an email invitation to join the call via your computer or phone.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol-Joy Harris
Recording Secretary