# MARIN VALLEY MOBILE COUNTRY CLUB <u>PARK ACQUISITION CORPORATION</u> **MVEST/Firewise Steering Committee Meeting Minutes** Via Zoom Videoconferencing May 31, 2021, 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, David Gray Other MVEST team members and residents present: Ellen Jane Schulz

#### Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

## Public Comment

John H. reported that there will be two classes of interest at Marinwood Community Center on June 6, one on CPR and one on "stop the bleed."

#### Consent Calendar

Minutes of the May 24 meeting were approved.

#### <u>Reports</u>

#### <u>Coronavirus</u>

Since the situation is still rapidly evolving, John H. again recommended using the following link for keeping up to date regarding vaccinations and health care directives: <u>https://coronavirus.marinhhs.org/</u> John H. reported that MVEST will be buying a large supply of plastic badge holders, along with lanyards to hold them, to distribute for use if needed to identify residents' and guests' vaccination status for participation in events such as Mar Val events. Matt Greenberg approves of the idea.

## Park Security

Kevin reported that as of his last hikes, May 21 and May 22, there are no new confirmed campsites around the Park.

## Marin Valley Firewise

John H. reported that there will be a FIRESafeMARIN Zoom webinar at 6:00 p.m. on June 29. Called "Pet Evacuation: Fire-Safe Animal Information," speakers will be Julie Atwood and Cindy Machado of Marin Humane. The Zoom link is <u>https://firesafemarin.zoom.us/j/87382415962</u>. 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, <u>www.FIRESafeMarin.org</u>, and also on our website, <u>www.marinvalley.net</u>.

John H. also reported that there will be a Wildfire Preparedness Workshop for Central Marin -- though the information is good for all communities – on June 2 from 5:00 to 7:30 P.M. The Zoom link is <u>https://firesafemarin.zoom.us/j/81659676635</u>, the speaker will Todd Lando of FIRESafe Marin, and the information about viewing it is the same as above.

John H. reported that the Park's 2021 perimeter fuel break planning is under way. Hand crews have begun the work of clearing a 10- to 20-foot break around the entire Park perimeter in preparation for the arrival of the goats, which will occur between June 1 and June 15. The goats are expected to complete a 100- to 200-foot shaded fuel break around the Park perimeter. Matt Greenberg has applied for a grant from the Novato Fire District for \$50,000 to aid in the fuel break process, and those funds if granted would probably be counted in the '21/'22 fiscal year.

John H. will write an article for the July *Echo* regarding the very successful latest step in the continuing process of fire-hardening the Park, the recent visits by the Novato Fire District Wildfire Mitigation Specialists. He will also post information about this process in the MVEST glass case in the clubhouse breezeway. He will highlight in both of these places the availability of matching funds for homeowners who do home-hardening work and apply for the assistance from the NFD.

John H. reported that we may receive \$500 in matching funds for this fiscal year and \$1500 for next fiscal year, which starts July 1, for work on the defensible space around the clubhouse and other "fire hardening" work on it. Matt will be overseeing that work.

Yard Maintenance Program

The committee expressed thanks to Kevin, who has worked side by side for eight hours with a gardener and resident at one home.

John F. will mention in his next *Echo* letter as HOL President that residents are encouraged to contribute to this special Humanitarian Fund, which is making the entire Park more fire-safe and more esthetically pleasing.

FIRESafe MARIN/Marin County Firewise See above under "Marin Valley Firewise."

Novato Fire District No report.

# Echo Articles

See above under "Marin Valley Firewise and "Yard Maintenance Program."

John F. will write an announcement for the July *Echo* to recruit new MVEST Block Captains and Zone Chiefs.

## www.marinvalley.net

Our website continues to be updated and improved, including information about MVEST and Firewise meetings and webinars.

John F. reported that a YouTube channel has been set up for MVESTrelated material only, which can be accessed from both our website and YouTube. New additions are the Novato Response Team meeting and the MVEST webinar on residents' utility pedestals.

## Old Business

See above under "Marin Valley Firewise."

It was decided that when meetings can again be held in person, that MVEST will resume trainings for Zone Chiefs and Block Captains.

After that, MVEST will again conduct an evacuation drill, perhaps one that involves just the steps needed by residents to get into their cars but not actually driving out of the Park.

New Business

None.

# Next Meeting

Monday, June 7 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