## MVEST September 2022 Meeting Minutes

Attending MVEST Steering Committee Members:

John Hansen, John Feld, Pam Berkon, Erma Wheatley, Stephen Plocher, Bill Davis.

Absent: David Gray, Joan Cervisi

Other attendees:

Ellen Jane Schulz.

A. Motion to approve agenda:

Approved.

B. Public Comments:

Ellen Jane suggested using the usual format for the minutes, which is easier to follow, less acronyms, and include last name initials such as John H or John F. Additionally, she thanked Erma for fixing the website.

C. Consent calendar:

Minutes approved.

D. Financial Report:

The account balance is \$4,542.51.

E. MVEST procedure adjustments:

As per David's letter, he suggested all public comments at any time in the meeting be limited to two minutes. This became a motion and was approved. MVEST notices and project reports:

- F. Park safety and security:
  - 1. MVEST wishes to thank Kevin for his continued survey of the surrounding countryside for illegal campers, picnickers, and others that may pose a danger to the community. Bill suggested that we each write and email and thank him for doing this.
  - 2. Firewise subcommittee report:
    - a. Park perimeter shaded fuel break:

The cost of the fuel break was over budget. Was very well done by Matt and John H said the park was safer for it. Next month there will be hydroseeding and netting and whatever else is needed. John F said the Wilhelm Tree Service did an excellent job.

b. Next Firewise Leaders meeting: This will be on October 14 at 11 a.am.

c. Next FSM meeting:

This will be on October 26 at 9 a.m. John H will be calling a Marin Valley Firewise meeting soon. He would like to repurpose some of the FSM banners to use in the Park. John F. suggested that this may make a good Echo article explaining the banners before they are displayed in the community.

3 and 4. Dense Wildfire Smoke Incident SOP update:

John H would like to use the format of this Emergency Management Plan (EMP) incorporating the SOP as a template for all others, that will go into the Start Here binder in Incident Command and will also be in the Block

Captain's binders. Each one would be structured the same way with headings of Prevention, Mitigation, Preparedness, Alerts/Alarms, Response, and Recovery, and associated activities.

John F said he would like these binders eventually to be available for teach home in the community.

The Steering Committee voted to adopt the two submitted EMP (High heat and Dense Smoke emergencies). These are "living documents" that can be changed as needed.

There will be similar documents relating to:

Fires, domestic and wildland

Earthquake

Power failure

High wind

**Pandemic** 

5. New Marin Valley resident MVEST orientation update:

Erma has collected all the names of new residents and would like to have a park-wide meeting, with special invites to all the new residents, to explain MVEST to them, and get the other organizations (MarVal, HOL, and PAC) to also explain their organizations. She suggested that we make a clear opportunity for newcomers to introduce themselves.

- G. Echo and marinvalley.net updates:
  - MVEST contribution for October ECHO: David has contributed an article for this month,
  - 2. MVEST contribution for November ECHO: John H has thoughts about better, more visible street numbering. John F will talk with matt about the feasibility of the Park doing this, maybe on the pavement. These numbers will be very useful for the fire and ambulance personal who sometimes have problems finding specific houses in emergencies.
- H. Community Collaborations:

John H will send the invite to the next VOAD meeting to all committee members.

The next meeting will be on October 10at 5 p.m. on Zoom.