



## **MOUNT VEEDER FIRE SAFE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** Saturday, April 22, 2023

**LOCATION:** Carole Meredith's residence, 4967 Dry Creek Road

**ATTENDANCE:** Joe Nordlinger, Bob Clark, Jeff Enos, Paul Woodward, Bill Robertson, Joanne Sutro, Carole Meredith

**ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO AGENDA:** none

**REVIEW OF THE MINUTES:** The minutes of the March 4, 2023 meeting were approved.

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (Joe Nordlinger):**

**Rutherford:** Carol Rice is still working on the CWPP and Firewise certification.

**NCFF Leadership:** Joe Nordlinger will be the interim NCFF CEO for a maximum of 4 months. He will lead the search for a permanent CEO. The strategic plan encompasses 236 projects and many millions of dollars are needed. NCFF needs a sophisticated leadership structure to develop funding and pursue tax efforts. Tax efforts could focus on small districts or NCFF could pull together elements of Measure L in a county-wide district. Overall NCFF objectives will continue to be vegetation management, ignition resistant construction and outreach and communication.

**City of Napa:** The Napa city CWPP was just approved. NCFF and Carol Rise assisted.

**FEMA BRIC:** The application has advanced to the FEMA panel. Work will include shaded fuel breaks in lower Dry Creek Road area.

### **PROJECT REPORTS**

**NC22 funds and Cal Fire Fire Prevention Grant (FPG) (Jeff Enos, Project Manager):** Most of the projects have not yet started. Bald Mountain has some very large trees and require hand crews and big equipment. Wall Road roadside clearing will start in May. Almost all landowner permissions have been obtained. Then work will begin on Dry Creek Road to the Sonoma County line.

More landowner permissions are needed for the roadside clearing efforts. Jeff was asked to identify the locations of permission gaps and to increase efforts to get more permissions in high priority locations. Jazmin Naranjo will be asked to list all landowners who are shown in the Neon database as having given permission.

**Neon contact database (Joanne Sutro):** Jazmin is continuing to work on it. An expanded roadside clearing mailing was done.

**Data sharing:** NCFE wants to mail to our MVFSC mailing list. We need to establish a policy for data sharing. Who will we share with and for what purpose? What is the approval process? How can we give people the option not to share their contact information? Can we find an existing privacy policy to use as a model?

**Neighbors in Need (Roger Provost):** There is one new application. Roger Provost (not present) will follow up.

**Home Winemakers Classic:** Sponsorships are now up to \$9,500.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The MVFSC bank balance is \$78,637.41. The Home Winemakers Classic has a current balance of \$33,744.54.

**OLD BUSINESS:** none

**NEW BUSINESS:** none

**Next Meeting:** 9 am, June 3, 2023

**ADJOURNMENT:** 11:00 am