

FAB Board Meeting May 26, 2020

Location: On-Line

Call to order 5:04 PM

Quorum – Established.

Attendees

- Robin Davis
- Jack Roberts
- John Van Doren
- Jonathan Spuhler
- Luke Bagwell
- Doug Compton
- Tommy Meeks
- Rex Alford
- Monty Poague

Old Business:

- 1) Minutes of prior board meeting (January 10, 2020) approved
- 2) Treasurer's Report approved
- 3) WUI Conference 2020 postponed but probably will be cancelled
- 4) 2020 Colorado Wildfire Conference postponed by probably will be cancelled
- 5) FAB Wildfire Preparedness Month (May) all events cancelled except Harris Park Evacuation Drill
- 6) Bailey Day Cancelled

New Business:

- 1) John Van Doren resignation.
 - a. John V will remain engaged with FAB providing consultation for new President
 - b. He will also keep managing the Pond Project
- 2) Tommy Meeks (new leader KZ Firewise) addition to the Board. Motioned and approved
- 3) Vote for new President or new Acting President
 - a. Luke Bagwell volunteered to take over as President. Motioned and approved
 - b. John will provide an email with the duties and a job description.
- 4) Continuing, New & Pending Grants
 - a. Status of WiRe Project in Burland.
 - i. No changes currently.

- ii. Shelby and Jack feel that it will take most of the summer to complete Burland assessments.
- iii. When possible, classes will be set up on the use of the WiRe tools
- iv. Processes developed performing the Burland assessments will be shared with other communities
- v. The University paid for the mailings to the Burland residents. All other work is being done by volunteers
- b. Land & Water Trust Fund Application for Study to assess cost to bring 15 area ponds into compliance
 - John will move the Land & Water Trust funding to a BOCC Working Session for up/down vote.

5) Firewise Community Updates

- a. Elk Creek POA Luke let us know that they will be installing their Dry Hydrant in the next couple of weeks
- b. Friendship Ranch John S has started establishing his email list and is planning a get together after COVID with his neighbors to find people who are interested in FIREWISE activities
- c. KZ Ranch Tommy has started a slash collection and disposal effort. They are also going to be harvesting wood from the BLM lands as there are approximately 250 marked trees that need to be handled.
- d. Woodside Monte is planning to start Saws and Slaws activity in his neighborhood when possible
- e. DCVR Robin is encouraging her residents to perform and track their individual mitigation activities. Also planning small group activities to cut back regrowth on the roads and gather slash from elderly residents. Articles from NPFA and other sites are being emailed out to residents
- f. Burland Jack's team is creating a power point that he is willing to share with other FAB board members. Burland is also planning chipping days, Saws and Slaws, identifying areas of refuge, and linking properties that are mitigated to provide a better control point in the event of a Wildfire
- 6) Some Possible 2020 FAB Initiatives during COVID
 - a. Online Capability that would accommodate 75 to 100 people. Would require Zoom Pro & Webinar license @ \$55/month. Jack will investigate letting FAB use the license that Burland owns.
 - b. Comprehensive District Evacuation Plan. Tom Cove can still do this remotely with Zoom meetings and telephone interviews. Joe Burgett was going to ask the Emergency Services Council to fund the \$6K cost for this consulting. Luke and Jack will contact Joe to get a status on that effort.
 - c. CWPP Public Education Campaign.
 - Articles can be provided to the Chamber of Commerce for their newsletter.
 John S will create some documents and submit to the board. These articles can also be used for...
 - ii. FAB Website
 - iii. Webinars
 - iv. Social Media
 - d. Right of Way Mitigation. Robin will check with Shelby to see if we can use his presentation on this work. Possible use on our Website and social media

- e. Evacuation Planning Workshops can be done on-line using the Zoom Pro / Webinar software. Coordinate with the Senior Alliance who already has a power point presentation. Robin will contact Maryann Wesoloski.
- f. County Commissioner Candidate Wildfire Issues Forum with FAB. Robin will coordinate.

7) General Discussion

- a. Chamber of Commerce needs articles for their Newsletter.
- b. FAB representative needs to attend Chamber of Commerce meetings
- c. CUSP is not going to accept slash until they have removed the current chips. Robin will check to get a status.
- d. Chipping sources are CUSP who charges \$100 an hour which includes travel time from Lake George. Platte Canyon Fire just provided chipping services for Burland and charged \$150 for two hours with a crew to two people. Contact Joe B to schedule.
- e. Chainsaw Safety Class was going to be provided by Joe B and Shelby. Robin will check to see if this is possible with social distancing.
- f. Rex offered consulting for mitigation. His contact information is:
 - i. 303-818-8468 (cell)
 - ii. 303-816-9168 (home)
- g. Robin will create a document with contact information for each of the Board Members. Please send any contact information you would like to share so a document can be created and distributed.
- h. Board members need to provide a Bio for the website. Please send Robin a copy of your Bio so she can forward to the Webmaster.
- i. We will meet again in July. A doodle poll will be distributed to determine best time/day.