

**MONTEREY FIRE SAFE COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 29, 2007

Meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month at 10:45 AM following the regular 9:00 AM Fire Safe Council meeting at the California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection, Expanded Dispatch Center, 2221 Garden Road, Monterey, CA 93940 – (831) 333-2600.

Monterey Fire Safe Council Website: www.FireSafeMonterey.org.

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chair Stefani at 10:30.

a. Board members present: Lonni Trykowski, Miguel Errea, Mike Kremke, Bob Sayre, Penny Vieregge, Ron Stefani

b. Board Members Absent; Steve Davis, Mike Chiodini, Jan Bray

2. REVIEW OF MINUTES: Minutes from the February 29, 2007 Regular Board meeting were reviewed:

a. Corrections:

i. Page 2 6c change to Mike Chiodini

ii. Page #2 6c – spelling Larry Orman

b. **MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS CORRECTED MADE BY BOB SAYRE SECOND MIGUEL ERREA. APPROVED**

3. CORESPONDENCE:

a. Letter from MBUAPCD (see Steering Committee minutes).

ACTION: RON STEFANI TO CHECK WITH AMY TAKETOMO FOR MORE DETAILS.

b. **GRANTS** – Lonni T. (Development Committee) reminds the Board that there are Grants available to MFSC beyond those accessible through the Clearing House. Mentioned in the following discussion are: The Hardin Foundation, Monterey Community Fund, Monterey Peninsula Foundation, and Big Sur Marathon. Grants of 2 to 4K are often given for organization and administration purposes.

ACTION: RON S. TO CHECK WEBSITES FOR OTHER GRANTS AVAILABLE AND MAKE A LIST (see also Steering Minutes #6 – eCivis).

MOTION THAT THE GRANT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE INVITES CINDY REEVES TO COME TO THE APRIL MEETING FOR A MUTUAL EXCHANGE OF GOALS. APPROVED.

ACTION: THIS IS AN AGENDA ITEM. The Board would like to know how much she is willing to be involved in our local search.

MOTION: IF NECESSARY, THE GRANT COMMITTEE IS AUTHORIZED TO MEET ANY REQUESTS FROM CINDY R. FOR TRAVEL PAY UP TO \$75.00, APPROVED. Bob Sayre suggest that Cindy might also receive a percentage of local grants she brings in.

4. TREASURER’S REPORT:

- a. CHECKING: \$2,249,
- b. SAVINGS: \$13,004.64
- c. Invoices submitted by Cindy Reeves: \$587.50 (Grant writing - CWPP,
- d. Gianni Grassi (Webmaster): \$284.99, Penny Vieregge (Secretary): \$374.00.
- e. *MOTION THAT THE BOARD PAYS FROM ADMINISTRATION FUNDS THE INVOICES SUBMITTED MADE BY DANNY MARQUIS SECOND LONNI TRYKOWSKI. APPROVED.*

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. CWPP: (see Steering minutes)
- b. Development Committee: No Report
- c. Public Education Committee:
 - i. (see ACTION on Correspondence a)
 - ii. Website: Ron Stefani informs the Board that the Fire Chiefs’ Association of Monterey might let us add a page for \$25.00 a month. MFSC administration funds are rapidly dwindling.

ACTION: RON STEFANI TO TALK WITH GIANNI GRASSI ABOUT OUR FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES UNTIL WE GET SOME GRANT MONEY.

iii. Bob Sayre requests that the Press Release for the CalFire May Fire Awareness press conference be sent to him for inclusion in the Big Sur Grange Roundup. He would also like to participate in any Rio Road fire awareness presentation.

6. OLD BUSINESS/PROJECT SUMMARIES: (See Steering Minutes)

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Council Vacancies:

i. **ACTION: DANNY MARQUIS TO ASK JAMES M. SULANTICH OF THE SANTA LUCIA CONSERVANCY TO COME TO THE APRIL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING.**

ACTION: PENNY TO PUT HIM ON CONTACT LIST. JSULENTICH@SLCONSERVANCY.ORG.

ii. The Board is unanimous that Jeannie Lewis of Rancho Rio Vista Home Owners Association would be an excellent Board member.

ACTION: LONNI T. TO FOLLOW UP WITH AN INVITATION.

iii. We need north county representation. Rob Thompson's name is brought up.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

9. THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

a. Lonni Trykowski thanks the Board for the condolence card.

b. Since Steve Davis is the new Division Chief for Los Padres it may be difficult for him to attend meetings. He has asked Mike Kremke to be his replacement. The Board approves. An official welcome is extended to Mike K.

10. ADJOURNMENT: MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT made by Penny Vieregge seconded by Bob Sayre. APPROVED. The meeting was adjourned at 11:10

NEXT MEETING will be held on:

APRIL 26, 2007

Respectfully submitted,
Penny Vieregge
MFSC Secretary