

Pikes Peak Wildfire Prevention Partners
Monthly Meeting of October 11, 2007
Woodmoor "Barn", Monument, Co.
Minutes by Keith Worley, Secretary

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:32pm. Introductions were made and recognition given to Woodmoor Homeowners Association for hosting the meeting. Jim Woodman and Amy Smith gave a report on Woodmoor's Firewise Community USA program (recognized in 2006). The community is comprised of approximately 2,500 single-family lots, with 2/3rd in areas of heavy fuels. They have a Firewise Day planned for May 2008 and will need PPWPP members to assist. Woodmoor has 150 acres of common area with 50% forested. Twenty acres were treated this past season and experiments are on-going with Garlon herbicide on gambel oak.
2. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of September 13th as amended. Passed.
3. Mark Janssen reported the bank balance and bills paid. Net amount in the bank is \$10,171.50. Signs, approved previously, will be done soon.
4. Old Business:
 - a. Keith reported the Douglas County contingent will be preparing a project for proposal soon for the Emily Griffith Center (youth rehab center on DC Road 105).
 - b. The Herring right-of-way demo project in El Paso County will also be submitted for consideration.
 - c. Shirt/jacket costs were given as: Shirts= \$20; XXL Shirts=\$22; Jackets= \$23.75.
 - d. Brochure- No report on estimated costs.
5. New Business:
 - a. Landowners Assistance program through Woodland Park CSFS office was announced. 50:50 cost sharing opportunity. Submittal deadline is October 31 with one year to complete. Contact Dave Root.
 - b. El Paso County: Brent Botts reported successful use of the "Unified Command" system on the Ute Pass fire. It was suggested PPWPP consider development of a "Prevention Team". Numerous grass fires were reported in the prairie areas. Black Forest Slash-Mulch site reported a banner year with over 17,000 loads of slash received and treated. Woodmoor reported two chipping events- mainly storm damage. Mark J. reported over 100 residents of Golden Hills participated in their annual community cleanup. The Ute Pass CWPP was recently approved by the El Paso County Board of County Commissioners. Palmer Lake is studying opportunities to develop a CWPP. Andrew Notbohm reported completion of a mitigation project by Fire Ready at Academy and Vickers.

- c. Douglas County: Keith reported Perry Park is preparing its effort to treat over \$100,000 in fuel treatments over the next 12 months. Roxborough fuel treatments are now in progress. The Douglas County Fire Marshal Working Group continues its efforts to upgrade DC wildfire regulations. The Woodlands-Escavera CWPP committee has teamed up with their Metro District to consider tax funding for on-going fuel treatments.
 - d. Teller County: Elk Valley fuel treatments are scheduled for this fall. 2006 projects are now wrapping up (100 acres on NE side of Pikes Peak, and S. side of Pikes Peak watershed).
 - e. Air Force Academy- Treatment areas are now in the layout stage.
 - f. USFS- Eric Zanato reported fuel treatments to begin in the Woodland Park/ Ute Pass area. A congressional aide tour will be conducted soon. FYI- Long range forecasts are calling for low humidity, high winds and high temperatures through the fall.
6. Committees:
- a. Legislative- Use of the Pest Act may be necessary for Counties to enforce mountain pine beetle control. Links to the Colorado statutes will be posted on the Yahoo group site.
 - b. Events- Biomass Utilization conference will be held November 5th in Westminster. A possible rail road siding for biomass pickup is in the planning stages for “co-generation” use of forest biomass.
7. FYI's:
- a. Naomi Marcus has been re-designated as the Firewise Communities contact for the Woodland Park District of CSFS.

Motion was made and passed to adjourn the meeting at 2:55. Next meeting will be in Douglas County and hosted by Larkspur Fire.

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