

Pikes Peak Wildfire Prevention Partners  
August 21, 2008  
Larkspur Fire Dept. Admin Office

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:34. Introductions were made and thanks to Larkspur Fire Department for hosting the meeting.
2. Secretaries Report- Motion was made, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed to approve the July 10, 2008 meeting.
3. Treasurer's report- No revenues received. A corrected balance of \$10,778.09 was noted. Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> passed to accept treasurer's report. El Paso Wildland Crew and Explorer Scout donations have not been set yet. Status of taxes unknown at this time. Keith is to deliver meeting in-kind tracking sheets to Bruce Fosdick (303-688-2751).
4. Old Business-
  - a. 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary picnic planning- September 11, 2008, 12:00-4:00 at Manitou Experiment Station. Invitations have been sent out to past members. Dawn Sanchez to check on location of historic documents. Dawn, Jill Alexander and Chris Barth to meet and purchase food for 30 people ± . Dave Root and Walt Seeley to work on possible press release. Brent Botts to be grillmaster. Decals were approved for purchase (motion made, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed). Diane Strom to purchase a sheet cake. Diane will be event photographer.
  - b. International Builders Show- Roni Vale not present. To be dropped from agenda.
  - c. Emily Griffith Center fall project- no report due to Randy Johnson's absence. Fifteen volunteers needed. Seedmasters (Tim Rinholt) confirmed for mastication portion of treatment demo. Diane will also serve as photographer.
  - d. Web Site update- Nothing to report. Motion was made, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed to authorize the Web Site Committee to proceed with expenditures to upgrade web site at its discretion if estimated cost is less than or equal to the Campbell Consulting bid.
5. County Reports-
  - a. El Paso County- Diane reported Air Force Academy planned fuel treatment on 125 acres along road right-of-ways on the Academy. She also reported that 2008 mountain pine beetle infestation level (65 trees) were down from 2007 level (280 trees). It was noted that due to El Paso County funding shortfall, John Powell will no longer be able to attend (we hope only in the short run).
  - b. Douglas County- Jill reported continuation of forest management work on Spruce Mountain. Dawson Butte Open Space storm damage clean up work being done by Mile High Youth Corp. She is now working with Burning Tree Subdivision (east of Franktown) to develop a CWPP. Keith reported on the Roxborough Park, Perry

Park, Woodlands-Escavera fuel treatments. The Hidden Village CWPP is nearing completion.

- c. Teller County- Dave Root reported the Ridgewood CWPP has been completed. New Mueller State Park projects have been bid out to several contractors.
  - d. Colorado Springs- A new wildland fuels coordinator was hired (Barry). Chris reported fuel treatments done in Hunters Point, Woodman Oaks, Raven Hills, Solitude Park with 160 acres treated. Slash chipping was done in 27 neighborhoods, for 800 homes and 150 tons of mulch. They are on track to match 2007. Colorado Springs' fire mitigation efforts were recognized by the Intl. Assoc. of Fire Chiefs at the recent convention on Denver. Christine Randall testified at legislative hearings on WUI issues. Garden of the Gods mitigation project to start soon.
6. FYI- The Democratic National Convention was mentioned as a possible wildfire exposure. Colorado Wildfire Academy will be in Greeley this year. Cheryl Page reported that Pueblo will be coordinating with the State Fair on wildfire education efforts through a "Safety Day". Reminder that Yellowstone Burn anniversary is set for September 22-27<sup>th</sup>. Chris will be attending. Back Yards and Beyond conference will be in Tampa on November 6-7<sup>th</sup>. Chris and Keith will be presenting.
  7. Next Meeting- Manitou Experiment Station (no business to be conducted at the meeting.)
  8. Motion was made, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed to adjourn at 3:00pm (1500 hours).