



## Pikes Peak Wildfire Prevention Partners Monthly Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Thursday, May 14, 2009  
Meeting Time: **1:00 – 3:00 pm**  
Meeting Location: Castle Rock Fire Rescue Dept.  
Castle Rock, CO 80104

Thank you to Paul Russell for hosting the meeting.

1. Call to Order at 1:06, and Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes. Motion made, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed to approve minutes of April 9, 2009.
3. Treasurer's Report- Starting balance of \$7,029.41 and ending balance of \$7,054.41. Motion made, 2<sup>nd</sup> to accept Treasurer's Report. A monthly charge of \$19.95 is cost of web site hosting.
4. New Business
  - a. Cedar Heights Evacuation Drill- report by Chris Barth.
5. Old Business
  - a. Mitigation Project updates
    - i. Burning Tree Ranch- report by Jill Alexander on success of project. It was suggested a "template" be developed using the Black Forest Project for planning efforts on future PPWPP projects.
    - ii. New Santa Fe Trail- tentatively set for Sept./Oct.
  - b. Campfire Soup- No report.
  - c. Teller County Wildfire Fair – May 16<sup>th</sup> (Matwijec)
6. Committee Reports
  - a. Logo Committee (Dawn)
  - b. Website Committee (Chris)
    - i. New PPWPP website demo
7. County Reports
  - a. El Paso
    - i. Garden of the Gods projects in progress.
    - ii. Wescott Fire CWPP partners meeting set.
    - iii. SW Hwy 115 Fire District is setting up a small slash/mulch project.
    - iv. Boy Scout project set for "Section 16" in Black Forest on 5 acres of "dog hair" pine.
    - v. Black Forest Slash/mulch site now open with volunteers doing thinning around the site.
    - vi. Air Force Academy has completed 300 acres of fuel treatment with 125 acres of Gambel oak treatment.

- vii. Colorado Spring Fire- Chipping program in progress. Five Scout projects have been set up. Additional Cheyenne Mountain Zoo fuel treatments proposed.
- b. Douglas-
  - i. DC Government- Pre-bid meeting set for the Dawson Butte Open Space fuel treatment.
  - ii. Woodlands-Escavera- Brief history given by Paul Russell.
  - iii. St. Francis Church Eagle Scout project initiated.
  - iv. Roxborough Park- Emergency Egress construction delayed by State Parks (fur/feather issues). They will be testing their emergency notification network with DC Sheriff's OEM on May 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - v. Perry Park- Massive storm damage (mitigation!) in process of being cleaned up with slash pickup set to begin in early June. Project layout will begin soon as authorized by PPMD board.
  - vi. Hidden Village- classes set for June 6<sup>th</sup> and committee lining out potential grant projects in cooperation with S. Metro Fire Authority.
  - vii. Larkspur Properties- Treatment to begin May 18<sup>th</sup> on 40+ acres.
- c. Teller
  - i. Fire Fair set to proceed.
  - ii. Quaker Ridge shaded fuel break (34 acres) completed.
  - iii. Wal-mart/Crystola Mtn. Pine Beetle treatment project in progress.
  - iv. Woodland Park Healthy Forest Initiative projects in planning stages.
  - v. Projects in planning stages or in progress: Collier property (25 ac.), Elk Valley Estates, Sturman property, Boy Scout Camp (250 acres).
  - vi. Long West project completed by USFS (250 ac. Tornado damage, 250 ac. Prescribed fire).
  - vii. The Monument Hot Shot crew now staffed and operational.
  - viii. Catamount Scoping now in progress to identify potential treatments on 125,000 acres (25,000 treatable).
  - ix. Roadless Area rules discussed and potential limitations for fuel treatments.
- 8. Insurance/liability- The executive committee will meet to prepare recommendations to the membership.
- 9. Use of PPWPP logo- Executive committee to formulate policy recommendations to the board.
- 10. Upcoming Events
  - a. Teller County Slash Mulch opens April 17th
  - b. Colorado Wildfire & Incident Management Academy- May 30<sup>th</sup> – June 5<sup>th</sup>
  - c. Black Forest Slash Mulch opens May 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - d. Black Forest Slash/Mulch Forest Mgmt. Demo- June 13<sup>th</sup> 9am - 11am
- 11. FYI
  - a. Front Range Fuel Treatment Partnership grants due by July 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 12. Next Meeting: University of Colorado, Colorado Springs Campus.
- 13. Adjourn

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