

February 2, 2023 Mitigation Meeting Minutes

Seven brave volunteers attended the 6 p.m. meeting, mostly for the cookies afterward.

First we reviewed the 2022 projects which included over 300 volunteer hours not including the CMR residents who participated in the fire/evacuation drill. There was an excellent suggestion to keep our CMR data base current with the changes in ownership and new construction. It is anticipated this drill/exercise will be an every other year event.

Then we looked ahead to 2023 projects which are as follows.

1. We need to hold a town hall type q and a meeting with CMR residents to review our current, updated CWPP (community wildfire protection plan). Bruce and Steve will oversee this.
2. We need an educational piece to go out to CMR residents dealing with safe slash removal and establishing 2 chipper work days in May and October. We also need to keep the community aware of possible free slash collection at the land fill when it becomes available. The entire committee needs to work on this.
3. We need a formal plan for working with Native American groups. There may also be a forest service project "wood for life" that we can work with. Bruce Tim and Steve will oversee this.
4. We need to follow up with the road committee on a plan to improve the J-9 to J-8 emergency escape route. Steve will present this to the road committee and board.
5. We will set up a "tractor patrol" work day to improve the safe zone on the Sander's property.
6. Roy, Mike Noland and Stephanie will coordinate insurance, waivers and "immunity" for volunteers working in CMR doing mitigation.
7. Through education we need to encourage CMR residents to work with WAP, private contractors and agencies making residents aware of opportunities, tax advantages and potential grants to help with mitigation. Roy, Bruce and others will oversee this.

Much was accomplished last year due to this wonderful, hardworking team. We need to keep working because fire mitigation is never one and done but is always ongoing.

Thank you

Steve Campbell, chairman, sort of.