



Highway 168 Fire Safe Council Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2023, 6pm, online

Board Members Present: Ryan Stewart, Pat Gallegos, Sharlynn Childers

President's Report and Grant Updates- Ryan Stewart

- Jerry Sharp has left CalFire. Thorin will be filling in for him.
- Shaver West: All work completed in November of 2022. We had a contractor clear and pile west of West Village and then go back and burn the piles.
- Jose Basin: cleared behind Pine Ridge. Just waiting on permission from the school to burn those piles. Messer has been piling along Auberry Rd on his property and the Forest Service has been plating and piling on their land.
- Creek Fire Recovery Grant: expanding the Lost Bluff Fuel Break. That will go out to bid this summer.

Treasurer's Report and Grant Update- Sharlynn Childers: Financial update.

Richie Sayavong w/ Insurance commissioner's office: they are filling new ratings for insurance cost basis.

Shannon Morrison- Fresno County Library

- Some branches are closed due to weather.
- 500 mile walk to Mordor is happening now.

Pat Gallegos-PG&E Grant updates

- PG&E is soliciting grants again. Should we plan on project in Burrough Valley and Sycamore? Yes! We need maps from Curtis Lee.

Tanner-Creek Fire Recovery: partnering on distributing 20,000 saplings for planting April or May, with SRCD and Central Sierra Resiliency Fund.

Chelsea-Sierra RCD

- Completed hazard fuel reduction project off Hwy 180.
- Hoping to clear in Meadow Lakes this summer.
- Working with Sycamore on projects as well.
- Will be bidding a project on Whispering Springs clearing 15ft on each side of the road.

Curtis Lee-Big Sandy Rancheria

- He is the new forestry and resource management person at BSR
- Their crew recently hosted a certification for cultural burning, clearing 30 acers.

Old Business: none

New Business: none

Adjourn Meeting @ 7:15