

# Greenbelt Management Committee Meeting Minutes

Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 10am-12 noon

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Attendance: Rachel, Cheryl, Paige, Craig, Carmel, Steve & Kelly

1. Welcome and Overview
  - a. Sue Chesnut resigned to focus on other committee
2. New members: Jake Hoffman and Ken Mickiewicz
3. Cheryl Poage: 501c3 status – no change waiting for response
4. CWPP update
  - a. Ask Mark if FD can help with grants using their 501c3.
  - b. Cheryl feels Larimer county and State Forestry can provide enough. Wants a definition of what we need. Believes value is in mitigation to prevent spread.
  - c. Marks statement: look at needs going forward
  - d. 2004-2008 CWPP has mostly been implemented
  - e. No escape route through Bear Gulch
  - f. Although the CWPP covers the entire fire district we can only fund projects in CL area. ~Elk ridge pays dues for services only.
  - g. We need to meet with Forest service to understand what needs updating in eth CWPP
  - h. We don't want to pay for fire history because we already have that information (Cheryl). Ember alliance analyzes the history to produce an effective plan so aren't charging for history (Paige).
  - i. Next steps include deciding between 3 options 1) \$36k for a complete plan, 2)\$25k if we write part and 3)14,000 if we write more. Who in our group can write the plan?
  - j. Mark told Carmel he values the Ember Alliance plan above a small mitigation project . It will include a 5 and 10 year goal including surrounding areas.
  - k. Rachel felt informing the neighbors was worth the extra cost

- l. We need to review the Forest service plan around us and participate in the process since the squeaky wheel gets the grease.
  - m. Water and Fire district should contribute to the CWPP since it benefits us all but they have no budget for it.
  - n. We should start looking for grants before the 501c3 is complete so we can submit right away
  - o. Chery thinks the board is unlikely to fund \$36k so Carmel will see what level they might support.
  - p. Rachel thinks we can go directly to the community for funding since this is a critical issue. Ability to access property or particularly get out is very important to community.
  - q. Kelly agrees of the criticality of the CWPP because you need a good one to win grants. It is a safety issue. If we have an inadequate CWPP and people get hurt in a fire we will regret it.
  - r. Cheryl agrees we have a need for more escape routs but feels eth CWPP could just be updated. Look for help from Colorado insurance organizations and forest service. They don't help write it but give guidance only.
  - s. CL management will provide accounting services at no to low cost
  - t. Carmel will attend board meeting to see what they can fund. We will also ask community fund, W&S and fire department
  - u. Paige thinks the CWPP is worth the cost to justify mitigation work is in the right place and effective.
5. Mitigation
- a. Pilot Project
    - i. Review of site with Daniel could work the afternoon of Monday 21<sup>st</sup> but snow Friday may delay to May.
  - b. Mitigation (Volunteer Projects)
    - i. Stella was informed and is open to road closure. RFQ was sent by Brian but pulled back when he realized it was not needed. Cheryl feels the report was not adequate communication to the board since it was not formally presented so Carmel will be at the board meeting.
6. Trails: no updates
7. Other Business

- a. Paige needs signs for Midgard trail which she will get from Rachel
  - b. Cheryl recommends we get a Bear gulch sign made through a request at the office.
  - c. Kelly has gone to 2 of a 4 part seminar series and will present a summary report after she has been to all 4 Cheryl said there are 5 or 6 exits south but nothing north, east or west. We at least need a north exit.
  - d. Paige to check with county for sources of CWPP funding. Kelly forwarded county newsletter to that end.
8. Meeting Adjourned