



**TOWN OF PINETOP-LAKESIDE
FOREST HEALTH COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2011**

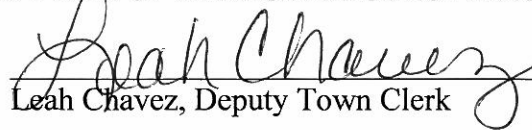
Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to members of the Pinetop-Lakeside Forest Health Committee and the general public that the Committee will hold a meeting beginning at **8:00 a.m.** on **Wednesday, August 3, 2011** in the Town Hall Executive Meeting Room located at **1360 N. Niels Hansen Lane, Pinetop-Lakeside, Arizona.**


AGENDA

1. Review and approval of the minutes of the Forest Health Committee meeting held on July 6, 2011.
2. Update on community outreach efforts to achieve compliance with the forest health and fire protection ordinance using the State Fire Assistance Grant and the Show Low Fire SPCH grant.
3. Status report on State Fire Assistance grant Contract # SFA 7-05

Dated this 26th day of July, 2011.

TOWN OF PINETOP-LAKESIDE FOREST HEALTH COMMITTEE


Leah Chavez, Deputy Town Clerk

Posted by: 
Date/time: 7.26-11 4:00 p.m.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: The Town of Pinetop-Lakeside intends to comply with the A.D.A. If you are disabled or physically challenged and need special accommodations to participate, please contact the Community Development Department at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FOREST HEALTH COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF PINETOP-LAKESIDE, ARIZONA, HELD WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 2011 AT 8:00 A.M. IN THE EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM.

Meeting called to order at 8:18 a.m.

PRESENT:

Dara Vanesian, Steve Campbell, Cody Blake, Paul Esparza, Norris Dodd, Kirk Webb, Kelly Wood, and Kelly Udall

ITEM NO. 1, REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FOREST HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JUNE 1, 2011:

Committee Member Steve Campbell moved to approve the minutes, with a change to his statement in item number 2, regarding the number of people working on the thinning crew. Committee Member Dara Vanesian seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ITEM NO. 2, UPDATE ON COMMUNITY OUTREACH EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE COMPLIANCE WITH THE FOREST HEALTH AND FIRE PROTECTION ORDINANCE USING THE STATE FIRE ASSISTANCE GRANT AND THE SHOW LOW FIRE SPCH GRANT:

Paul Esparza stated a number of letters have been sent out, and said the response has been very good. Cody Blake stated initially they sent out 21 letters, and said all but one responded, so they had an 80% positive response. He stated 15-20 acres are completed from the second batch, and said they have commitments to do more. He said the contractors would remain busy for the next month. He stated they have a commitment by Glenn Buettner to extend the grant by one more month. He explained that there could be nothing new after July 31, 2011, and said the work would need to be completed by the end of August. Mr. Campbell stated the reason for the one month completion deadline is because, after the calculation of the acreage, Mr. Buettner can look at the leftover funding and direct it elsewhere. Mr. Blake said he received an application for the Farnsworth property on Osprey, which is 26 acres, and said he would be meeting with them on Saturday morning. He estimated they would reach 100 acres total when done. Ms. Vanesian asked how they determine who to send letters to. Mr. Blake stated it is based on an aerial photo from 2009, and said they are focused on the densest areas and where a threat may come from. Kirk Webb stated the smaller properties are not assisted with this grant, and said it is more for larger acreage. Mr. Esparza stated the Committee ascertained priority areas. Mr. Blake stated Show Low Fire is doing some of the work, and said he and Mr. Campbell walked a

property completed by Show Low Fire. He said they are not thinning to the Town Code standards. Mr. Campbell explained there was a special circumstance surrounding that property they were not aware of at the time they walked it. Mr. Campbell explained the circumstances surrounding the property. He explained their goal is a regional approach to grant distribution.

**ITEM NO. 3, RECAP OF DISCUSSION OF FOREST HEALTH ORDINANCE AT JUNE 25, 2011
NATURE DISCOVERY PROGRAM:**

Norris Dodd stated they had a separate firewise program last year and brought in Jim Paxon, and said they had 10 people show up. He said this year when the Nature Center did their program, they combined firewise and landscaping, and said 65 people attended. He said the public interest is amazing. He explained the firewise trailer would be sent back to the Bureau of Land Management, and said if materials were needed, they needed to get them now before the trailer is gone. Ms. Vanesian asked if a property owner could just contact somebody and say, "what do I need to do?" Mr. Campbell stated yes, the property owner would need to contact either him or Mr. Blake. The Committee discussed the option of having a "banner corner" where permitted banners would be allowed to be put up. Kelly Udall expressed, he preferred, they not do that. Mr. Campbell stated there is a great thinning demonstration site for the public to see on Rim Road.

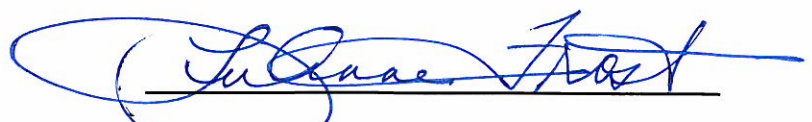
**ITEM NO. 4, DISCUSSION ON THE POSSIBILITY OF EXPENDING GRANT FUNDS TO PRODUCE A
FIRE DEPARTMENT FIREWISE VIDEO TO PROMOTE PUBIC EDUCATION:**

Mr. Webb stated they are working on other video public service announcements, and going off of what those cost, and said he would estimate the cost at \$2,000-\$3,000. Mr. Campbell stated he has a contract with Curtis Stevens, and said he is owed eight 20-30 minute productions. Mr. Campbell suggested Mr. Webb, Mr. Stevens and himself get together and talk about video production showcasing the before and after of thinning projects, and the overall Forest Health.

Next meeting August 3, 2011 at 8:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:57.

Dated this 26th day of July, 2011.



Lu Anne Frost, Town Clerk