

Safety Committee Meeting 1/26/19

Attending: Carrie Berger, Hersh Crawford, John Krochta, Tracy McAlister, Duane Sorensen, Elizabeth Waldron.

Action Items: **In Red.**

Carrie Berger:

At Carrie's request, OSU conducted a wildfire protection project in January. Crews hired by OSU cleared brush and small trees from a 100-foot wide strip along OSU Horse Farm property that abuts Skyline property on our south side.

Carrie will continue discussions with the OSU College of Agriculture on how best to manage fire risk in areas where OSU and Skyline West property come together.

Half our \$1000 2018-19 Neighborhood Empowerment Grant was used to fund the neighborhood dumpster clean up event in November. This amount had to be spent in 2018. **Carrie will use the remainder of the funds to provide a dumpster as a part of the 2019 Wildfire Community Preparedness Day event the first week of May.**

The Firewise Committee is planning a neighborhood evacuation drill that is scheduled for Wildfire Community Preparedness Day, May 4. A meeting with Dave Busby (CFD Fire Emergency Planning Manager) to discuss evacuation plans is scheduled. **Carrie and John will meet with Dave and then work with him to develop a detailed plan.**

Work on removing 2-3 trees that are on city property at the West end of Ponderosa Ave. is continuing. Removal of the trees will increase evacuation options. Duane and John have received a quote of \$600 from J.B. Good. **John will contact the owners (John and Gretchen Morris) of the home adjacent to the trees to discuss our goal and get their input.**

Duane:

The Safety Committee (represented by Duane and John) and the Roads Committee (represented by David Brooks and Duane) met with City Public Works Engineer Greg Geshner to discuss speed and signage issues in Skyline. The City will conduct a survey between January and March with results expected in April. It was noted that ODOT and not the City controls speed limits. **Duane and John, along with David Brooks, will meet with Greg Geshner, when the results of the city survey are available.**

The City has conducted a Pavement Management Index survey that includes Skyline roads. David Brooks has requested results of the survey. The goal is to identify the areas that are most need of repair.

John:

National Groundwater Awareness Week is March 10-16. John will update information on well water safety he sent to Skyline West residents last year, for review by the Safety Committee. Once the information is updated and reviewed, we will decide how best to distribute it to the neighborhood (i.e., all at once or segments over the course of that week).

The Great Oregon Shakeout (as a part of International Shakeout Day) is October 17. John will update information on earthquake preparedness he sent to Skyline West residents last year, for review by the Safety Committee. Once the information is updated and reviewed, we will decide how best to distribute it to the neighborhood.

The Safety Committee has lost several members (James Gotchall, Elizabeth McQuitty, Chris Veal, Ed Walsh). It would be good to work on recruiting several new members. We agreed the best way to recruit members who will contribute to our mission is personal contact. Each of us will consider whether we know someone in Skyline West who would be a good Safety Committee member and talk to that person about their possible interest and commitment.

Elizabeth:

Skyline West Street Liaisons have hand delivered and discussed material describing the SWNA and information on emergency preparedness with Skyline West households. The information was well received.

We currently have 20 neighborhood liaisons and would welcome more. Elizabeth plans to have an annual meeting of the Street Liaisons, perhaps a potluck similar to the inaugural gathering of the Liaisons.

Submitted by Hersh Crawford and John Krochta