

**Mesa Community Service District
Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 16, 2024
Hosted by President Nate Gratz
356 Aliso Circle**

CALL TO ORDER: 6:09PM

PRESENT: Nate Gratz, Thomas Hutchings, Ashley Helms, Connie Morrison, Karen Cudney

ABSENT: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ GUESTS:

Beverly Schroeder

Kristen Pfeiler-Inyo County Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator:

Kristen came and spoke to the Board in regards to possible needs of the community for Fire Preparedness. The consensus of the Board was a need for information to the community on Evacuation, Home Harding and Defensible Space. A need for secondary egress and ingress was also a concern. It was recommended that Fuel Reduction on adjacent BLM lands not be performed due to the fact that the existing vegetation would be replaced by noxious weeds, and that it would create more of a hazard.

Approval of Minutes:

A Motion was made to approve the Minutes for the Meeting held on Thursday, March 21, 2024. Motion to approve was made by Connie, with a Second by Ashley. Approved by all.

Financials/Budget:

\$44,406.59 was in the account as of 02/15/ 2024. \$150.00 as of 05/14/2024 is in petty cash. \$434.00 has been added for interest, with a debit of \$420.00 to Streamline for Web Services.

OLD BUSINESS:

FIREWISE USA Program:

Connie has been in communication with Regional Coordinator Beth Burnam. Connie will proceed in getting the program started for the Mesa. Ashley will post Firewise Information on the MCSDWeb Site.

BLM Form 299:

The Board is waiting on Phil Gross with BLM for final approval. A processing fee of \$535.00 was requested by BLM. A motion was made by Thomas to pay the fee, with a second by Connie. It was approved by all. Clair Construction will proceed with the project pending approval.

MCSD Block Party-BBQ:

Board Members to select date and venue for the party. Invite Firewise Coordinator as well as 1st Supervisor Trina Orrill . Kristen from the Inyo County said she will help with coordinating with local fire agencies once a date has been confirmed.

NEW BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT: 7:30PM

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, May 16, 2024