

Cascadel Mutual Water Company
Cascadel Firewise / Brigade
JULY 29, 2017 10:00am
Training Meeting Minutes

Members present were: Warren Cox Aimee Cox Susie Odry Simon Elman Brian Curtis
Ken Wood Stan Eggink Carol Eggink

It was voted on and decided:

1. Carol Eggink will become the new leader of the Firewise Committee
2. Brian Curtis will be the Fire Brigade Training leader
3. Simon Elman is in charge of Fire Box Inventory, cleaning

Carol had all members sign the May 20 Firewise Annual Meeting attendance form.

Carol will: 1. Update the Inventory Bag List. 2. Purchase Fire box keys. 3. Purchase additional yellow hard hats.
4. Research and purchase stickers of the existing Logo for hard hats. 5. Record sizes of shirts in our
Inventory and purchase more if needed.

It was determined the committee will focus meeting to coincide with 80% on fighting fires – Training and 20% on fire prevention – Roadside brushing and clearance. We will have Vegetation fire training in March or April to prepare for the coming fire season. We will have structure fire training in October when more structure fires are possible. Simon has volunteered the use of his home for this lesson.

Individual training is offered to new members of this committee by appointment with Brian Curtis. Existing members will be welcomed to join in, if available.

Invitations will be extended through the monthly CWPOA Newsletter for interested and prospective members to watch our next training session to see if they think it will be something they can or want to do.

During the training session, Carol took some pictures and a video for the members to refresh themselves as needed or for future members to view for training.

The training covered naming the tools in the Fire box and their uses.

We covered the following items as well:

1. The proper attire when responding to an incident.
2. Which hydrant port to use. (2 ½" port)
3. How to attach the hose to the port using a reducer.
4. How to charge the hydrant properly to reduce damage to the hydrant.
5. The various sprays of the nozzle and which to use to extinguish different types and sizes of fires.
6. How to clamp a charged hose to add additional hoses to reach a fire if necessary.
7. Declaring the anchor point of the fire and the process to create the line of clearance around the fire.

We will look for bicycle inner tubes to use as binding for the hydrant hoses for ease in carrying the hoses to a location.

Training was finished around noon.

It was stated next meeting will be the third Saturday of September. Details will be emailed prior to meeting.

Carol Eggink