



# CASCADEL FIRE WISE BRIGADE

Cascadel Mutual Water Company Committee  
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## MINUTES

### Firewise Brigade – Committee Meeting

November 21, 2020

At Clubhouse Front Deck 1:00PM

Members Present – Carol Eggink, Simon Elman, Brian Curtis, Susie Odry and Ed Rose – CMWC VP.

Regarding the fuel breaks dozed on all CSA property – The Brigade agreed to map out all piles on the CSA open spaces. This map will be added to the application to apply for the permit to maintain these 47 acres in the coming week. Susie and Carol will map out and number the piles ASAP. We hope to be able to burn the piles during the winter to eliminate most of the wildfire fuels throughout the CSA areas. We hope to get the piles covered in plastic prior to more rainfall to make burning easier.

The Fire Brigade members will gradually work Cascadel Road to remove brush and over hanging tree branches as time permits. We may hire the Mt Bullion Crews if they are available to assist in this project.

A chipping day will happen in December as weather permits for residents who wish to participate. A notice will go out in the December newsletter.

The committee agreed to build a new firebox for Cascadel North. The location will be at the hydrant across from Ed Rose's property just before Cascadel Lane.

Simon will build the frame out of metal and Bob Shevlowitz will be asked to build the sidewalls and roof and shelves. Brian Curtis will coordinate this project.

Ed Rose graciously pledged to donate \$500.00 to put towards this firebox. Thank you Ed!

Fire hoses were left behind by Cal Fire around several homes. Many of these hoses were collected and taken to Brian Curtis for pressure testing. Brian found the hoses to be good and was added to our inventory.

We also found two Y – 1 ½" to 1" water thieves to add to our inventory. These will be most beneficial. The additional hoses will be enough to fill the new box. We will need to purchase new hand tools, nozzles and adaptors.

The committee decided to purchase more breakaway locks for the fireboxes instead of using non locking devices. We cannot chance the hundreds of dollars worth of equipment in each box to walk away. Carol will purchase these locks.

The culvert at the intersection of Cascadel North and Cascadel Lane needs to be cleared of leaves. Ed Rose will do this before he goes back home today.

Dozer fuel break lines covered the creek behind the bathhouse and clubhouse. Carol will try to find the agency responsible for the fire suppression work on areas affected by the Creek Fire to see if they could bring in equipment to open the creek up prior to heavy rains.

We will continue to watch for the Grants from Cal Fire and other agencies to assist us in removal of the piles of logs and brush throughout the community and to clear easements on Cascadel Road.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15PM



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