

Public Meeting

FireSmart Update

via Zoom

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

Fellow Silver Star Mountain property owners - this Zoom meeting will be a very short update on plans for 2022.

We now have a Community FireSmart Committee of 12 people, and are working diligently on your behalf. We hold meetings twice monthly and have designated action groups working on specific items dealing with FireSmart objectives. As well, we are now a working committee of the SSPOA.

We had originally planned on making a presentation and have a presence at the SSPOA AGM on December 28th, 2021, but all was changed due to more Covid restrictions. The following are a few items for your information and consideration:

*** A short video to underline the need for FireSmarting your property: <https://vimeo.com/586491405>

***The Mountain Resort Branch of the Forest, Lands (etc.) are spending considerable money on clearing and cleaning the forest canopy below the Knoll Ski Way. It is up to us to now make the effort to have all of our private properties meet FireSmart standards. To that end, we are planning a two week effort that will encourage everyone to **DO THEIR PART**, clean up their property, help their neighbors if needed, and be ready for chipping during the period of the last two weeks of June, 2022.

***Your FireSmart Committee made a road trip to Logan Lake the end of October and met with officials that had experienced a huge wildfire event that threatened their community. We learned a lot. Two items of importance:

- 1) Almost all structures in Logan Lake have a sprinkler or sprinklers on them;
- 2) The domestic water supply was inadequate to handle a large number of sprinklers operating at the same time in addition to attacking an approaching wildfire. A separate water supply was essential.

The same is true on our mountain. To satisfy the needs listed above, we are:

- 1) planning how to make it as easy as possible for all homeowners to have a sprinkler or sprinklers on their homes/hotels, with a ready connection the Wildfire Structure Fire Fighters can quickly hook up to;
- 2) We are looking into alternative sources of water that will require pumps and delivery systems for high volumes and high pressure.

***The SSPOA is setting up a steering committee that will have input into a Silver Star Mountain Wildfire Pre-plan. The FireSmart committee has two seats on that committee and look forward to working with everyone else to have this plan in place for summer 2022.

*****The Community FireSmart Committee is planning on a public meeting via ZOOM regarding all the above plus time to answer questions and receive your input on Wednesday January 19th at 7:00PM. You will hear from experts who were on the front lines of the fires last summer. To attend the ZOOM meeting go to:**

Topic: Silver Star FireSmart Community Meeting.
Time: Jan 19, 2022 19:00 Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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Very best regards,

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