



Friends of Banner Mountain

Board Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2025, 5:00 – 5:50

Attendees: Jeff Peach, George Olive, Mo Graber, Chip Wilder, Susan Sanders

Action items in red

Approval of Ed Sylvester's Resignation

- Jeff moved that we accept Ed's letter of resignation as President of the FBM Board sent to the FBM Board on September 27, 2025. Mo seconded. All approved.

Sierra Central Bank – Replacement of Signatory

- Need to replace Ed as one of the designated signatories on the checking account at Sierra Central Bank. Chip Wilder, George Olive and Jeff Peach will now be the replacement signatories. Sierra Central Bank requires these minutes confirming Ed's resignation and approval of the new signatories. **Susan will prepare minutes and circulate for review and approval.**
- Jeff moved that he and George assume the role as the new cosignatories along with Chip. Mo seconded, all approved. **Chip will make an appointment with Sierra Central Bank to change signatories once he has the minutes from this meeting.**

Membership

- Membership Renewal Letter. Mo discussed the letter requesting members renew their membership; all had reviewed and made their revisions. The revised letter was approved by all and Jeff will get it to the printers this week.
- Jeff had edited the membership list to delete about 200 those who had not paid for a couple of years. Now the list is about 400, which will save money on postage. The contact info for the deleted names has been retained but we will send renewal requests only to those who have renewed in the past couple of years.

Power Point for Annual Meeting

- The PP for the Annual Meeting has been edited by Steve Baker. **Jeff will review his section and provide a few edits.**

Firewise/Free Green Waste –

- Road construction during Green Waste event reduced participation a bit.
- Insurance discount program for Cal FAIR plan for wildfire portion of the insurance will change on Nov 15 to the homeowner's benefit. Now applicants don't need to check every box describing areas surrounding their home on the home-hardening form sections to get the discount. Mo will send an updated email to FBM members to explain this change.

Announcement of Ed's Resignation

- George suggested we mention Ed's resignation at the Oct 29, 2025 Annual Meeting and note that we are recruiting for a new president. The group agreed that was a good idea.
- The group discussed having Mo and Susan prepare a letter or article for The Union recapping Ed's community contributions, to be published after the Oct 29 meeting. **After the meeting Susan will reach out to Ed before preparing any kind of write-up about him.**

Property Issues

- Mo brought up a question from a Neighborhood Watch group member who was concerned about illegal encampments and hazardous activities on one owner's multiple vacant parcels.
- The member had questions about why FBM was not engaged on this issue. Susan noted that FBM takes on issues of concern to most of Banner Mt residents, rather than solely one neighborhood's concerns. Mo will communicate the FBM position to the inquirer.

Adjournment

- Mo moved, Jeff seconded, all approved adjournment of the FBM meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Sanders
Secretary