

MINUTES
JUNEAU LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
Wednesday, December 8, 2021 - 12:00 P.M.
Telephonic/Virtual-Zoom Conference
(Questions Call – 586-0371)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair Ed Williams called the meeting to order at 12:01 P.M.

Roll Call: Michelle Brown confirmed quorum present

Members Present:

Wade Bryson, Ed Quinto, Ben Murray, Daniel Wiersma, Bill Legere, Warren Russell, Britt Tonnessen, Loren Jones, Ryan Sand, Chris Russell, Ed Williams, Michael Tunley, Jon Suk, Zachariah Fisher, Tom Mattice, Michelle Brown

Members Absent:

Scott Erickson, David Campbell, Travis Mead, Destiny Sargeant, Tonia Montez, Karen Wood,

Others Present:

Autumn Simmons, Bridget Vivoda, Carolyn Garcia, Charles “Chip” Wisner, Dan Garcia, Jennifer Mannix, Kathy Shea, Liz Perry, Louisa Phillips, Michael Pierson, William Hayes

II. AGENDA CHANGES

None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 10, 2021 Minutes Approved

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - Non-Agenda Items - None

V. REPORTS

- A. CBJ Emergency Programs Report** – Tom Mattice– New grant announcements from Homeland Security. Avalanche forecast online everyday www.juneau.org/avalanche. 4-6ft of snow at upper elevations already, danger considerable currently.
Michelle Brown – LEPC seat appointments on assembly agenda for Dec 13. Send Michelle chairman nominations and training schedules.
- B. CCFR - Ed Quinto - VanWinkle March 21-25**, scenarios being developed. Airport full exercise in July (POC-Phil Adams). Ironman August 7. National Guard – SFC William Hayes – Ironman – Anchorage command working on personnel scheduling commitments.
- C. Elected Official Report** – Wade Bryson – \$36k Federal funding provided for police training. Assembly held retreat to establish annual priorities. Working on snow berm removal.
- D. Other Member Reports** – None
- E. NWS** – Jon Suk – Active weather patterns persisting, December is snowiest month. Climate Prediction Center updated outlook Jan-Mar below normal temperatures, about normal precipitation.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Red Cross Preparedness Program** – Britta and Bridget:

Youth Programs (grades K-5 local hazards), Community Preparedness Education Programs (local hazards, software for business/organization preparedness, hands only CPR), Community Preparedness Response Services (Smoke alarm install and fire preparedness, Emergency Apps). Available free, contact Juneau Red Cross.

B. Travel Juneau – Liz Perry:

Ironman Sunday August 7 2022, also contracted for 2023 and 2024. Registration and Expo at TMHS, courses start/end at UAS - Swim Auke Lake, bike out the road, and run on Back Loop Rd including Montana Creek. Traffic impact plan, permitting, aid stations, logistics and volunteer registration is being developed. Stipend funding available for volunteer groups. See traveljuneau.com/ironman and ironman.com/im-alaska for race maps and other event details, or contact liz.perry@traveljuneau.org colleen.mcdonald@ironman.com

C. Advantages of Alaskan Native Participation in LEPC – Daniel Wiersma:

See City Resolution 2689 establishing LEPC and LEPC Bylaws. Central Council of Tlingit and Haida and Douglas Indian Association are both recognized sovereign nations. Approximately 11% of Juneau identify as Alaska Native. Tlingit and Haida has developed an EOC with functional and supply capacity complimentary to CBJs. Inclusion of Alaska Natives in LEPC is a benefit to Juneau.

Committee discussed mechanisms to provide Alaska Native representation on the committee, to be continued at next meeting. Tom Mattice requested an Action Item Vote to determine the Committee's support on creating a new seat that could represent the Alaska Native population.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. COVID-19 Discussions, Information Sharing, and Updates - None

B. Training and Exercise Planning – Send updates to Michelle

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Proposal: Tom Mattice proposed recommending the addition of a new seat that could represent the Alaska Native population. The recommendation if passed would be forwarded to the CBJ Law Dept. for legal recommendations on the seat title and description. Those recommendations would be presented to the LEPC during the January 2022 meeting for their final recommendation to the Assembly.

Action: Committee voted unanimously for a recommendation to add a seat for this purpose, with the condition that the CBJ Law Dept. would determine the title and description for the seat.

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. COVID-19 Info

1. Community Testing Hotline (907) 586-6000
2. EOC Logistics covid.logistics@juneau.org
3. COVID-19 questions e-mail: covidquestions@juneau.org

B. VanWinkle – Regional Full Scale HAZMAT Exercise

POC- National Guard 103 Civil Support Team

Email: christopher.e.phinney.mil@army.mil (907) 980-6079

CCFR POC – Ed Quinto ed.quinto@juneau.org

Mid Planning meeting February 12, 2022

Exercise March 22-23, 2022

After Action Report: March 25, 2022

C. SE AK EMS Symposium - [Southeast Region EMS Council – Ensuring the Best Possible Emergency Medical Care Across Southeast Alaska \(serems.org\)](http://Southeast Region EMS Council – Ensuring the Best Possible Emergency Medical Care Across Southeast Alaska (serems.org))

POC – Andrew Pantiskas, CCFR e-mail: Andrew.Pantiskas@juneau.org

Pre-Symposium March 30 – April 1, 2022

Symposium – April 2-3, 2022 Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall

D. Airport full exercise in July (POC-Phil Adams)

E. Ironman – Organized by The IRONMAN Group www.ironman.com

Local POC Liz Perry, Travel Juneau liz.perry@traveljuneau.com (907) 586-1761

Main Event: August 7, 2022

F. LEPC Seat & Bylaws Changes (From January 2018 LEPC meeting) – On hold
Resolution Change to add new Health Seat, change Vulnerable Populations seat name to Access & Functional Needs, and update Bylaws is on hold until State SERC & LEPCA changes are announced

G. CERT Program – Ongoing Item – Inactive. Seeking strong partnership with CCFR & JPD

X. NEXT MEETING/S

*Wednesday, January 12th, 2022 – 12:00 pm, - ****ZOOM**

**Regular Meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month*

***Future Temporary Meeting Locations*

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 1:30 P.M.