

MINUTES
JUNEAU LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
Wednesday, October 13, 2021 - 12:00 P.M.
Telephonic/Virtual-Zoom Conference
(Questions Call – 586-0371)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Dan Garcia called the meeting to order at 12:02 P.M.

Roll Call: Michelle Brown confirmed quorum present

Members Present:

Scott Erickson, Ed Quinto, Destiny Sargeant, Ben Murray, Daniel Wiersma, Bill Legere, Warren Russell, Britt Tonnessen, Dan Garcia, Chris Russell, Karen Wood, Ed Williams, Michael Tunley, Jon Suk, Zachariah Fisher, Tom Mattice, Michelle Brown

Members Absent:

Gregory Smith, David Campbell, Travis Mead, Tonia Montez, Carolyn Garcia

Others Present:

Alison Gottschlich, Autumn Simons, Banu Mufale, Delsey Rodriguez, Erann Kalwara, Kathy Ensor, Kathy Miller, Kathy Shea, Ryan Sand, Sabrina Boone, William Hayes SFC, Cathy Orcutt, Chava Lee

II. AGENDA CHANGES

Ironman August 7

SE AK EMS Symposium March 30-April 3

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 8, 2021 Minutes Approved

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - Non-Agenda Items (10 Minutes)

A. Alaska Emergency Management Association (AKEMA) – Kathy Shea – City, Tribal, State, other Borough government's participating to improve disaster preparedness and interoperability. Membership application and information attached. Next meeting November 19.

V. REPORTS

A. Announcement - Dan Garcia, Michelle Brown – Next meeting will be Dan's last as Chair and as member in the Community Right to Know seat. Appointment of new chair will move forward after 2 vacant seats are filled. Online applications for seats available at this link <https://juneau.org/clerk/boards-committees/boards-master-list>. Co-Chair will be requested to chair meetings until a new Chair is appointed by the committee.

B. Elected Official Report - Gregory Smith – Absent

C. CBJ Emergency Programs Report – Tom Mattice – Grant announcements: CBJ received a funding award to procure a generator for alternate EOC/dispatch location (downtown fire station), and for Urban SAR structural collapse simulator.

D. CCFR – Van Winkle Exercise - November 3 Initial planning meeting (partners welcome), soft scheduled for March 7-11. **EMS Symposium** - March 30-April 3. **Ironman** - August 7 – (Repeating for 2-3 years). Volunteer and housing outreach to begin soon.

- E. **NWS** – Jon Suk – On the weather, more rain, clearing up later in the week with colder temperatures. Storm coming in early next week. More rain, fall is the wettest time of the year, with few breaks. Winter outlook long term forecast is looking near normal. Strength and track of wind storm in early October was relatively rare, specific windfall effects within Mendenhall Peninsula and Engineers Cutoff areas are being investigated more.

VI. NEW BUSINESS - None

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. COVID 19 Discussions, Information Sharing, and Updates

1. Emotional Support Presentation by Chava lee – She began studying interactions between humans and animals; and the effects on health and wellbeing during her involvement in a dog training program between the Humane Society and the Johnson Youth Center. She established a farm to provide educational and support programs for individuals and community organizations. Plans changed with onset of pandemic. She began meeting with individuals and small groups, focusing on offering the opportunity to explore healing relationships between individuals and animals. Chava shared her experiences of individuals finding connection with animals and vice versa while struggling to explain the relationship academically.
2. Cathy Orcutt – Priority Communications Contractor on behalf of DHS gave impressive capabilities presentation and offered training, outreach, and support to utilize the service. Free priority calling between networks in times of network congestion and more. POC (202) 941-4633 cathy.orcutt@associates.cisa.dhs.gov

VIII. ACTION ITEMS -None

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. COVID-19 Info

1. Community Testing Hotline (907) 586-6000
 - a) See attached Info Release on ‘Where to get a COVID-19 test in Juneau’
2. EOC Logistics covid.logistics@juneau.org
3. Onsite/Mobile COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic form: <https://juneau.org/mobile-clinic>
4. Got COVID-19 questions e-mail: covidquestions@juneau.org

B. AK Victim Advocacy Partners (AVAP) – Trainings

POC Erin Terry, FBI – enterry@fbi.gov

1. Victim Advocacy Training – Target Audience - Whole Community
Friday, October 29, 2021 - 8am-4pm Virtual
2. Treating Victims of MVI – Target Audience – Licensed Mental Health Providers
Saturday, October 30, 2021 - 12am-4pm Virtual

C. Van Winkle – Regional Full Scale HAZMAT Exercise Initial Planning Conference (IPC)

November 3, 2021 10am Location: To be announced

POC National Guard 103 Civil Support Team

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March 7-11, 2022 (Subject to change)

E. SE AK EMS Symposium

March 30 – April 3

F. Ironman – Organized by The IRONMAN Group.

Local POC CCFR, Ed Quinto

August 7

G. 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

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

X. NEXT MEETING/S

***Wednesday, November 10th, 2021 – 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 1:18 P.M.