

MINUTES
JUNEAU LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
Wednesday, August 11, 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 12:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Michelle Brown confirmed quorum present

Members Present: Gregory Smith, Scott Erickson, Destiny Sargeant, Ben Murray, Bill Legere, Britta Tonnessen, Carolyn Garcia, Dan Garcia, Nicholas Zito, Ed Williams, Tom Mattice, Michelle Brown

Members Absent: David Campbell, Ed Quinto, Travis Mead, Daniel Wiersma, Tonia Montez, Warren Russell, Karen Wood, Michael Tunley, Jon Suk, Zachariah Fisher

Others Present: Elaine Hickey, Autumn Simmons, Banu Mufale, Chris Russell, Corey Padron, Delsey Rodriguez, Erin Terry, Jennifer Mannix, Kathy Ensor, Katie Crossley, Kim McDowell, Michael Pierson, Nicole Ferrin, Sabrina Boone, SFC William Hayes

II. AGENDA CHANGES

None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 14 2021 Minutes – Approved

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

None

V. REPORTS

A. Elected Official Report - Gregory Smith – Assembly extended mitigation strategies and EOC authority to implement those ongoing needs. Assembly impressed with city staff – thoughtful and focused on efforts to keep community COVID cases down while keeping schools and businesses open. Working on title 49 land use code, trying to get more housing development while making permitting less burdensome. Expecting new hazard maps soon.

B. CBJ Emergency Programs Report - Tom: Participated in tabletop exercise for salmon creek dam failure, functional exercise on Sept 2. Working on hazard studies with CDD (zoning maps and regulations).

C. NWS -Nicole Ferrin: There are a couple of active flood watches, moist event moving in over the next couple of days could bring 4 – 5 inches of rain, mostly Thurs night – Fri midday.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. COVID Mitigation Officer – Corey Padron (CCTHITA)

Representing the CCTH Tribal EOC, came from the VPSO program. Tribal EOC has response supplies available. Please reach out if they are ever needed. Introduced idea of having staffed individual/s tasked with promoting COVID safety compliance by having a authoritative presence in public spaces to caringly inform, educate and remind individuals

of the community's COVID status and recommended best practices. The Committee discussed the idea including CBJ's potential risks when participating in such a program, public response to these interventions, and where/when the Officer's presence would be most effective. Tom will bring the idea to the CBJ EOC.

B. FBI AK Victim Assistance Partnership (AVAP) – Erin Terry

See attached AVAP information. Statewide development of online toolkit for victims. Provides assistance pre, during, and post incident as well as long term recovery resources. Office of Victim's of Crime technical assistance program trainers are offering victim advocacy training for 1 week in October to build a network of providers. Target audience is anyone interested in learning more, volunteering, or supporting in other ways. Registration is open for training to respond to various needs of victims, next of kin, businesses, or the community. Oct 26-27 in Juneau, 29-30 in Anchorage (plus virtual). First 1.5 days is victim advocacy training, last .5 is for licensed mental health providers, offering CEUs. Looking for partner to host event live or to make Juneau's training virtual.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. COVID-19 Discussions, Information Sharing, and Updates

Are there Organizational Needs to Support Implementing Safe COVID-19 Protocols?

B. Training and Exercise Planning

1. Any training or exercises planned? Where? When? Target Audience (Who's invited)
2. Request: Send brief of written lessons learned from pandemic and changing weather to Michelle Brown

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

None

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. AELP Salmon Creek Dam Functional Exercise

Thursday, September 2 2021 9:00am POC: Steve Vorderbruggen (907) 463-6369 e-mail: steve.vorderbruggen@aelp.com

B. FEMA National Emergency Alert & Wireless Emergency Alert (see bulletin included w/agenda)

Saturday, August 11 2:20 pm EDT (10:20 am AKST)

POC:

Congressional Affairs at (202) 646-4500 or at FEMA-CongressionalAffairs@fema.dhs.gov

Intergovernmental Affairs at (202) 646-3444 or at FEMA-IGA@fema.dhs.gov

Tribal Affairs at (202) 646-3444 or at FEMA-Tribal@fema.dhs.gov

Private Sector Engagement at (202) 646-3444 or at nbeoc@max.gov

C. COVID-19 Info

Community Testing Hotline (907) 586-6000

EOC Logistics covid.logistics@juneau.org

CBJ COVID Dashboard <https://juneau.org/covid-19>

Got COVID-19 questions email: covidquestions@juneau.org

D. 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

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

X. NEXT MEETING/S

***Wednesday, September 8th, 2020 – 12:00 pm, - **ZOOM Webinar – Access information will be e-mailed and posted publicly prior to the meeting.**

**** Subject to change based on COVID-19 response at the time of meeting**

**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 12:57 P.M.