

MINUTES
JUNEAU LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
Wednesday, July 14, 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, Ed Quinto, Destiny Sargeant, Ben Murray, Daniel Wiersma, Tonia Montez, Bill Legere, Britta Tonnessen, Carolyn Garcia, Dan Garcia, Nicholas Zito, Karen Wood, Ed Williams, Michael Tunley, Jon Suk, Zachariah Fisher, Tom Mattice, Michelle Brown

Members Absent: David Campbell, Travis Mead, Warren Russell, Ty Cunningham

Others Present: Elaine Hickey, Autumn Simmons, Corey Padron, Delsey Rodriguez, Kathy Ensor, Kathy Shea, Michael Pierson, Ryan Sand, Sabrina Boone, Tom Gemmel, SFC William Hayes,

II. AGENDA CHANGES

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 9 2021 Minutes – Approved

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

None

V. REPORTS

- A. Elected Official Report** - Gregory Smith – Tourism scaling up end of the month cruise ships expected, Assembly & City staff work on mitigation agreements to balance protecting community with economic activity. Warming shelter funded through July, new Glory Hall opening soon.
- B. CBJ Emergency Programs Report** - Tom: Salmon Creek Dam condition Yellow (Overfull), dumping water. New avalanche and landslide studies defining paths are now public on website. Hundreds of homes are affected by these zoning issues. Beginning public process of adoption of these maps. Next phase would be separate contract requesting zoning best practices within these zones. Suicide Basin has small ‘burp’, not holding significant water this year. Wrapping up Federal Threat Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment report. Red Cross sent a letter and cookies to LEPC. Group agreed to offer them to City Hall. Tier II chemical database user setup goes through Dan Garcia →Kathy Shea (DEC)
- C. NWS** -Jon Suk – Moisture system moving out, showers but drier continuing through weekend. About average next half of July. Wireless Emergency Alerting (PDF attached with Agenda) national test in August, check Notification Settings differently in iPhones and Androids.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Future Juneau LEPC Meetings in Person or Zoom

Discussion around pros and cons of meeting in person and through Zoom. See Action Items.

B. Silver Alerts Discussion – Nicholas Zito, Alaska State Troopers

Silver Alert system used for lost vulnerable/at risk adults with indication of intellectual deterioration, physical impairment or medical condition that makes them unable to meet their own needs. Once local police department verifies this criteria through investigation, request is sent to AST dispatch center in Fairbanks.

Emergency Alert System (EAS) (TV/Radio broadcast interrupts) are used for Amber alerts, not Silver alerts. Silver and Amber both activate Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) (cell phone messages). Recent Silver alert in SE did not activate WEA, unknown why this did not happen. Trooper Zito will investigate and report back.

Trooper Zito is beginning a new position as commander of Troopers of SE, supervising replacement Chris Russell beginning August 9.

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. Are any training or exercises planned? Where? When? Target Audience (Who's invited)
 - a) Ed Quinto – part of statewide hazmat exercise in Juneau next Spring
2. Request: Send brief of written lessons learned from pandemic and changing weather to Michelle Brown

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Return to in-person meetings?

Primary Seats roll call vote:

Greg Smith – No, Scott Erickson – No, Ed Quinto – No, Destiny Sargeant – No, Daniel Wiersma – No, Bill Legere – No, Britta Tonnessen – No, Dan Garcia – No, Karen Wood – No, Michael Tunley – No, Zachariah Fisher – No, Tom Mattice - No

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. AELP Salmon Creek Dam TTX (Walkthrough of Full Scale Exercise)

Tuesday, July 20 10am AELP Office

B. AELP Salmon Creek Dam Functional Exercise

Thursday, September 2 9am In the field POC: Steve Vorderbruggen (908)-463-6369 email steve.vorderbruggen@aelp.com

C. Juneau Airport TTX and AER Review

July 21 9am, POC Phil Adams 586-0921/M (801) 300-2467 e-mail: Phil.Adams@jnuairport.com

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

Saturday, August 21 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

E. 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

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

NEXT MEETING/S

***Wednesday, August 11th, 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*

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 1:09 P.M.