

MINUTES
JUNEAU LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
Wednesday, June 10, 2020 - 12:00 P.M.
Telephonic-CBJ Assembly Conference Line
(Questions Call – 586-0371)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chairman Ed Williams called the meeting to order at 12pm.

Roll Call: By Recorder Ben Murray, confirmed a quorum.

Members Present: Rob Edwardson, Scott Erickson, Ed Quinto, Destiny Sargeant, Ben Murray, Kim McDowell, Bill Legere, Warren Russell, Britt Tonnessen, Carolyn Garcia, Nicholas Zito, Karen Wood, Ed Williams, Michael Tunley, Zachariah Fisher, Elaine Hickey, Tom Mattice, Michelle Brown

Members Absent: David Campbell, Todd Cameron, Tonia Montez, Dan Garcia, Bryan Caffrey, Paul Chisholm, Ty Cunningham

Others Present: Chip Wagoner – RC, Delsey Rodriguez – RC, Jennifer Mannix – CBJ Risk Mgmt., Michael Pierson – USCG, Tom Gemmel – Emer. Mgmt. Consultant, William Hayes – SFC AKARNG, Brian Bezenek – NWS

II. AGENDA CHANGES

Add introduction of Carolyn Garcia who has applied for the Red Cross Alternate Seat

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Juneau LEPC – May 13, 2020

Hearing no objections the minutes were approved as presented.

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

None

V. REPORTS

A. CBJ Happenings - Emergency Programs Manager's Report by Tom Mattice

Submitted grant applications. Grant project for Pederson Hill Communication Tower upgrade is almost finished. Coordinating COVID response, impressed with airport testing and community support.

B. Elected Official Report – by Rob Edwardson

Public appetite to discuss policing, there have been demonstrations in Juneau driven by National incidents. COW meeting focused on demands received by demonstrators. LEPC members discussed an informational webpage on the policy issues. Rob will bring the idea to the Assembly/City Manager. On Monday the operational budget was passed. \$53 million of CARES funding to be received by City in 3 phases, outside of the budget, some earmarked for salaries and expenses of emergency work.

C. Red Cross Report – by Britt Tonnessen

Operating in “Red” probably until 2021 meaning that at this time meetings will remain virtual call in. Virtual training opportunity – FEMA Sheltering by Shane Jones in ANC, differences with RC model 1:00-2:30 June 12 WebX

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Carolyn Garcia has applied for the Red Cross Alternate Seat – Speaking for people of color of Juneau, appreciating support of people gathering in support of Black Lives Matter. Highlighting “10 Demands” the demonstrators sent to City officials.

B. Members discussed future meeting venues. The group consented to continue Virtual meetings, preferring Zoom for improved features and convenience. NWS advised that Zoom was banned from company computers, but it was noted that they could use the Zoom app. on their mobile phones. See Action Items.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. COVID-19 Discussions, Information Sharing and Updates

1. CCFR - Update by Ed Quinto – 60-70 tests per day at airport with increased personnel. Training center testing has also been increasing, nearly doubled. Using less invasive nasal swab. More demand expected. Many 2nd test vouchers not being used. Travel related tests are free, others charge depending on reason.
2. Elaine Hickey, Public Health – Businesses can request review of operating plans and recommendations from Public Health. Michelle will have information.

B. Census – Ends June 30. Be Counted <https://beta.juneau.org/census>
Around 60% response rate, only take 5-6 minutes. Encourage the community to participate!

C. Training and Exercise Planning - EVERYONE please get any training or exercise events you intend to hold to Michelle and Tom. AK State requires we develop a Juneau calendar and submit to State. Brian – NWS offers forecasting/other support for training and exercises.
Tom – NIMS 2020 guidelines revised ICS, EOC management, MAC, etc... Updated trainings, classes.

D. USCG – Active Shooter Exercise – Update by Mike Pierson – Working to get this back on the schedule, late August/early September, virtually or in person. Looking for interest.

E. All-Hazards Preparedness Activities – Virtual participation only per COVID-19 protocol

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. LEPC member motioned to hold future meetings using a Zoom venue
Motion passed unanimously

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Census – General Communications Messaging, April 15-June 30

B. 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

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

X. NEXT MEETING/S

*Wednesday, July 8th, 2020 – 12:00 pm, - **to be announced

**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 12:58 P.M.