

FINAL MINUTES
JUNEAU EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)

Wednesday January 9, 2019, - 12:00 P.M.

Bartlett Regional Hospital

Administrative Building – Executive Lounge 3rd Floor, Juneau, Alaska
(Questions Call – 586-0419)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dan Garcia established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon

Members Present:

Rob Edwardson, Scott Erickson, Ed Quinto, Destiny Sargeant, Kim McDowell, Bill Legere, Warren Russell, Andrew Bogar, Chip Wagoner, Dan Garcia, Nicholas Zito, Karen Wood, Ed Williams, Paul Khera, Zachariah Fisher, Tom Mattice, Michelle Brown

Members Absent:

David Campbell, Todd Cameron, Tonia Montez, Joel Curtis, Paul Chisholm

Others Present:

Michael Sanders-SEARHC, Andrew Ahlstrom-SEARHC, Curtis Kiesel- ADEC, John T. Flood-AKNG, Kollin Monahan-CBJ Parks and Rec, Thomas Riley-DHS-EM, Patricia Lamson-ARC, Scott Rinkenberger-Juneau Airport, Megan Taylor-BRH, Bridget Thomson-ARC, Christina Schulte- SOA/PH, Robert Barr-CBJ/Libraries, Erann Kalwara-CBJ Dispatch, Craig Cottrell-UAS/EM, Carolyn Garcia-ARC/Flying Lions, Kathy Shea- DEC, Bob Mattson- DEC, Doug Albrecht- DHS&EM

II. AGENDA CHANGES – DEC presentation added under Public Participation

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 12, 2018 Minutes approved

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION –

- A. Bill Legere introduced Warren Russell from GCI to be applicant for alternate media seat. He comes with stellar qualifications.
- B. Kathy Shea DEC Presentation on Spill Preparedness, Response, and Reporting
Spoke about the accuracy of the Tier II database, advising that LEPC outreach was effective because they know the community. The Tier II database for hazardous materials is now all done electronically. Members can go through the LEPC to request access. First Responders can pull information electronically en route to scene. DEC Response plans are structured after NIMS and DEC is working to make their plans more user friendly. Call Kathy (907) 269-3071 for answers to regulatory questions and Doug Albrecht (907) 428-7042 for technical database questions.

V. REPORTS

- A. CBJ Happenings:
State DHS grant applications were recently released. Increased snow means increased avalanche monitoring and reporting. Alaska Shield and other exercises will keep Emergency Programs busy this year. Progress... there are numerous bidders for the Meander Way Bank Stabilization project.

B. Elected Official (Rob Edwardson):

The assembly has 230 members on boards and commissions. Five empowered boards. All the rest, except LEPC, are advisory boards. LEPC is a working committee that comes up with a product. It was a good experience for the new members of the HRC. They appreciated all that LEPC does.

Blood Bank of Alaska has 2000 registered donors in Juneau. They are opening an office here that also aims to serve the rest of Southeast Alaska. They are interested in addressing the LEPC to help increase community awareness of the Juneau Blood Bank Center.

C. BRH Mass Casualty Drill: BRH EMT is scheduled to meet today before the HMEP TTX. The exact time of the drill is TBD. BRH is considering coordination with cruise ships or the airport full scale exercise.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

Scott Rinkenberger reported that the Juneau Airport full scale emergency drill will be held on July 20. Planning was completed in close coordination with the Anchorage and Denver International Airports.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Still working to move CERT forward through a strong partnership with CCFR, JPD, and Red Cross.

B. LEPC annual report presented by Dan Garcia was well received by the HR Committee. The recommendation from the committee to add a Health Seat and change the name of the Vulnerable Populations seat to Access and Functional Needs was approved and a resolution ordered. The CBJ Law department will begin working on the resolution. The assembly was impressed with the way LEPC managed so many people and the successes gained from having an active LEPC.

C. Preparedness Expo: Tom and Michelle are looking for persons to help in the planning process. September is preparedness month, often the good weather and outdoor activities lowers attendance. We are considering holding the Expo in a different month.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS - None

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Exercise this afternoon at the JPD EOC.

B. UAS exercise: 1st or second week of June. No firm date yet.

C. AK Shield Full Scale Exercise April 9-12 with ANG and WA USAR team.

D. Project Homeless Connect on Jan 23, 2019, 9:00am -3:00pm at the JAHK. Multiple organizations are partnering to get this underserved population connected to services that can help them find permanent housing and personal support. Sometimes homelessness can be prevented by connecting individuals soon to be evicted with resources that can temporarily pay their rent.

X. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, February 13th, 2019 – 12:00 pm, - Location BRH Administrative Bldg. Executive Lounge

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

XI. ADJOURNMENT at 12:44 pm