

FINAL MINUTES
JUNEAU LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
Wednesday, December 9th, 2015 - 12:00 P.M.
Bartlett Regional Hospital
(Questions Call – 586-0371)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dan Garcia called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

Roll Call: By Secretary Paul Nowlin

Members Present:

Tom Mattice, Michelle Brown, Ed Mercer, David Campbell, Ed Quinto, Alison Brehmer, Destiny Sargeant, Andrew Bogar, Dan Garcia, Allison Natcher, Matt Musselwhite, Ed Williams, Paul Nowlin, Joel Curtis

Members Absent:

Maria Gladziszewski, Rich Etheridge, Mike Lopez, Cheri Moyer, Bill Legere, Mikko Wilson, Scott Novak, Pam Watts, Jason Burke

Others Present:

Scott Liard (USCG), Bart Robinson, Chip Wagoner (volunteer), Stephen Harrison (USCG), Kristin Bartlett (JSD), Pam Mueller-Guy (SAIL)

II. AGENDA CHANGES

None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October Minutes were approved, with corrections.

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Non-Agenda Items – 10 minutes

Bart Robinson introduced himself to the group; he has been assigned to a newly permanent full time position with the USCG, Sector Juneau, Planning.

V. REPORTS

A. CBJ Happenings Report

Tom Mattice reported that avalanche season is nearing, and avalanche workshops will be available to attend soon; A.L.I.C.E. training is still ongoing; and grant projects and applications are being worked.

B. Elected Official's Report

None

C. BRH Report

None

D. Red Cross Report

Andrew Bogar reported that a CEO of the Red Cross was in Juneau and attended the last R.C. meeting. Volunteers participated in a meet and greet. The R.C. received a new vehicle (Malibu); a Project Pillowcase training was given to a local Girl Scouts of America troop.

Bogar also announced a Shelter Simulation at UAS to be held on January 23rd, and a Boot Camp training event on February 20-21; he expressed a need for volunteers to role play scenarios during the Boot Camp.

E. Media Reports

Joel Curtis spoke about a wireless alert to cellphones for tsunamis, flash floods, etc.; it sends alerts to cell towers near affected areas, and relays to all phones receiving data from said tower(s); it is an opt out application.

F. Other LEPC Member Reports

None

G. CERT Reports

None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Joel Curtis presented on the Possible Effects of a Large Northwest Earthquake. The Cascadia fault runs through Washington and Oregon. An 8.0+ earthquake on this fault line could be felt in SE Alaska, a 9.0+ may warrant advisories, the most destructive energy of the quake would head inland to Washington, and American Samoa. The fault runs parallel to the coast, an earthquake's energy spreads perpendicular to the fault line, SE is not in its path. Significant affects to SE would be indirect as the Seattle and Portland areas, supply SE. Vulnerabilities include downed communications, Waterways impassable due to millions of trees deposited into them; none to delayed people, food and supply transportation via normal routes (planes, ferries, barges) both to and from SE. This event has the potential to create a great number of casualties in Washington and Oregon. Debris is estimated at 1 million truckloads. Areas we rely on may call upon us for support. Mattice added that there are options identified to circumvent the normal routes for food and supplies brought into SE; however, the monetary costs will be highly elevated. He also reminded the group that having cash available before an incident is important, because if electronics and phone lines go down, so does banking, ATMs, and credit card machines.
- B. Alison Brehmer brought in 7 examples of posters that encourage handwashing, for the group to pick from. Michelle Brown introduced an 8th option. Brehmer spoke about the recent Flu Clinic where they vaccinated 153 individuals in 4 hours at UAS; and stated the effort went well. She also reported that it was a useful practice for volunteers. Observations made, and that will be applied to the response plan to maximize efficiency in the distribution of medicines. Public Health announced and invited the LEPC to an open house on Friday the 18th; with games for kids, and there is potential that Santa will be in attendance.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. A vote for handwashing posters to produce and distribute amongst the community resulted in the most popular two posters being: one covered in colorful dots emphasizes how many germs live in a tiny area, and one that pictured quantity of germs on hands at different time intervals of handwashing. Each received 9 votes. The runner up was a poster with a colorful hand, posing the question 'Have U washed your hands 2 day?'. The vote was informal, and included all present at the meeting.

- B. Destiny Sargeant MOTIONED to spend roughly \$250 on producing the top two most popular versions of the handwashing posters; with the power to make changes to the poster(s) used, and the amount spent given to Tom Mattice and Michelle Brown. This power was given as an effort to make the purchase as cost effective as possible, and to prevent delay on the effort to help the community. Ed Williams seconded the motion. None opposed, the motion passed.

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. SE AK Snow & Avalanche Workshop, Friday, Dec. 11, 2015, 6 p.m.-10 p.m., Rockwell Ballroom, \$15.00 Charge.
- B. Juneau LEPC Meeting – Visit from State LEPC Program Coordinator, Jared Woody, Feb. 10, 2016
1. Presentation on Tier II Electronic Reporting
 2. State LEPC Guidance

X. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, January 13th, 2016 – 12:00 pm

IMPORTANT NOTE: The LEPC LOCATION WILL BE AT THE BRH ADMINISTRATIVE CLASSROOMS.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 12:54 pm