

FINAL MINUTES
JUNEAU LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
Wednesday, April 9th, 2014 - 12:00 P.M.
Bartlett Regional Hospital
Administrative Building – Classroom A
(Questions Call – 796-6077)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman 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, Destiny Sargeant, Mike Lopez, Rose Lawhorne, Bill Legere, Mikko Wilson, Roger Rettig, Scott Novak, Dan Garcia, Allison Natcher, Matt Musselwhite, Ed Williams, Paul Nowlin.

Members Absent:

Loren Jones, David Campbell, Nathan Young, Rich Etheridge, Alison Brehmer, Joel Curtis.

Others Present:

Dan Brady, Russ Cameron, Jeremy Johnson,

II. AGENDA CHANGES

Hearing no objections, the agenda was approved as an OPEN AGENDA to add items as necessary.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Hearing no objections the minutes were approved as presented.

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

None

V. REPORTS

A. Emergency Programs Manager's Report

Tom Mattice reported about the presentation with Homeland security. Also, about the EAS test, which Joel Curtis and Mikko Wilson will follow up with more information during the May meeting. He also spoke about the AK Shield/Juneau Maritime drill. The scenario was that a boat/ship was stolen in Sitka and ended up in Juneau; the USCG responded to the situation; and an improvised explosive device (IED) was delivered to the KTOO radio station. Mattice also mentioned the new Emergency Management position opening up at UAS, and that it will be listed soon. He gave the group an update about the Vulnerable Populations seat that is in the process of being created. He also reported that a grant for rural communities will give 4 grants in the amount of \$125k each. This grant is for the purchase of AED devices and training.

B. Elected Official Report

None.

C. Red Cross

Roger Rettig reported that the shelter drill was a success; volunteers were processed; and that the participants included the Red Cross, UAS, and Public Health Nursing. There was a fire in Ketchikan, in which a family lost both their home and a pet. He also reported that the disaster training on P.O.W. went well; and 500 meals were served to locals. Rettig also let the group know that RC 101 will be on the 22nd of April. Scott Novak spoke about Pillowcase (see handout). He also brought to the group's attention a Train the Trainer on May 5th.

D. CERT

Jeremy Johnson is estimating the next class size to be between 25-30 students; with 10 having already preregistered. CERT is looking to change the format to allow for more dates. Train the

Trainer needs more funding. CERT offers free 20 hour training seminars for the employees of companies that purchase the kits. Johnson also reported that 30 youths (Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts) are interested in the training. Johnson presented a resolution to the State of Alaska to have preparedness training at the individual level for State workers, and to assess people and the building for preparedness related items. Mattice discussed the future funding for CERT; and there will be more discussion as a new rule has been passed which allows for fundraising.

E. General Public

Dan Garcia reported that the Red Cross and UAS tested communications and set up emergency shelters. Michelle Brown thanked KTOO for donating ads on the radio for CERT advertising.

F. Other Reports

None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Captain Jim Yeo gave a presentation about the WMD-CST. He informed the group that their services are available at all times. Some of the services they render are responding to terrorists (chemical, explosive, nuclear), intentional/unintentional noxious fumes, and natural disasters. They are a joint military unit; federally funded; but under the command of the Governor of Alaska. They can identify unknown chemicals, and have mobile support staff and vehicles that can be dispatched to different parts of Alaska; which they can then advise and assist local commanders (site characterization, sample collection, packaging, and shipping, and onsite lab analysis). They also provide medical analysis, and can help setup decontamination sites. They also serve as a liaison between military and local authorities. They are constantly cultivating personal relationships between local responders as well as national experts. Contact information: 907-428-7000 (and 7001). 907-854-1781 (tech support).

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

None

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. PIO Course Rescheduled – After AK Shield (date TBA)

B. Avalanche Awareness w/ Companion Rescue Training – (8 hours at Eaglecrest) February 15th

C. Great Alaska Shakeout! – March 27, 2014 (1:36 PM) DROP COVER HOLD, Earthquake Drill in commemoration of the Great Alaska Quake will be triggered by activation for the Emergency Alert System. Exercise what you would do in an earthquake; update your family's plans for response and reunification. Work toward a good 7 day survival kit.

D. CERT Meeting & Advanced Skills Training – Tuesday, March 11 (6-8:30 PM)

E. Alaska Shield – Fed/State/Local Level Disaster Drill. Area Maritime Security Exercise – Juneau – Wednesday, April 2 (All Day). Full Scale Exercise with over 20 agencies in Juneau participating.

F. Spring Preparedness Conference – Tuesday-Thursday, April 15-17 (All Day) Anchorage, Marriott Downtown

G. SERC and LEPCA Meetings – Friday, April 18 (All Day) Anchorage, Marriott Downtown

X. NEXT MEETING/S

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

Wednesday, May 14th, 2014 – 12:00 pm

Location: BRH, Administrative Conference Room A/B

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 12:59 P.M.