

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE DRAFT MINUTES

July 10, 2024 at 12:00 PM



In-Person with Zoom Capabilities

LOCATION: in-Person at: Nat'l Guard Armory/UAS Rec Center (12300 Mendenhall Loop Rd - Room 116)
or via Zoom: <https://juneau.zoom.us/j/99118835453> or 1-253-215-8782 Webinar ID: 991 1883 5453

Questions Call: 907-209-9207 or email city.clerk@juneau.gov

A. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Ed Williams

B. ROLL CALL

Establish Quorum - Michelle Brown

Introductions

Farewells - Assistant Chief Ed Quinto, CCFR (LEPC since 2016) and with the Fire Dept for over 30 years would be retiring and his last day was July 30, 2024. We thank him for his great contributions to our community and know that we will continue to see him work with the community toward preparedness.

Mark Keplinger, Jesuit Volunteer with the Red Cross since July 2023 has completed his service time with the Jesuit Volunteer program and will be leaving us to pursue his law degree. He has been a valuable asset to the Juneau LEPC and whole community and will be missed.

New Members - Theresa Ross, CCFR

Welcomes - Jay Kurtz, American Red Cross AK Region

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - July 10, 2024

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. June 12, 2024, Draft Minutes of the Juneau Local Emergency Planning Committee

E. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (5 Minutes)

USCG announced upcoming Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training coming up on Tuesdays & Thursdays. Tribal focus, Open to the public. To register contact: Alisha Sell at asell@tingitandhaida.gov or (907) 463-7722.

F. STAFF REPORTS

Elected Official - Paul Kelly reported that he had brought the idea of fee waivers at campgrounds for homeless camping. CBJ does not own the campgrounds and there are complicated obstacles with risk and insurance.

Emergency Programs - Tom Mattice reported about the ICS class upcoming in October. Task book alignment and rightsizing Emergency Management are in progress. Recruitment continues to be a priority across the board.

JPD – Commander Weske reported that National Night Out was upcoming August 6 from 7-9pm. Partners are welcome. He asked that we spread the word.

CCFR – Chief Ed Quinto reported that the intense Structural Collapse training had spots available. Also, CCFR was hosting an EMT 2 Class at the end of September.

Hospital – Zac Fisher reported for Nathan Rumsey. The hospital is currently working on the Hazard Vulnerability Assessment (HVA) and addressing the financial issues the hospital is facing to determine which programs are most effective and valuable to our community as well as fiscally sustainable.

Red Cross – Loren Jones reported that there was a farewell potluck planned for Mark Keplinger on Saturday and the LEPC was welcome to join. The Red Cross had interviewed 2 applicants under the Jesuit Volunteer program and had not heard back if Juneau would be receiving that valuable resource this year.

Haz/Mat & NWS Preparedness – Nicole Ferrin advised that an unusually wet pattern was continuing. There was increased monitoring of the Mendenhall Lake water levels. Minor flooding at 9 ft plus 12 ft potential with the current rain conditions.

Alaska Native Tribal – Sabrina Grubitz reported that CCHITA had appointed two individuals to the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) program. Kake Small Community Emergency Response Plan (SCERP) update was completed. She attended the recent Alaska Emergency Management Association (AKEMA) meeting. The Red Cross in Fairbanks held a connex prep meeting. She attended the Advanced Emergency Management graduation.

Public Seat- Destiny Sargeant reported that the Juneau Amature Radio Club was hosting a free training and certification. A flyer with details would be released soon. Also the UAS was hosting the Aukeman Triathlon on Sunday, August 4, 2024. It would be a one day event.

Community Group Seat- Karen Wood said that the large group of rescued pets last month had found homes.

G. NEW BUSINESS

2. **USCG Medical Clinic & Veterans Affairs Medical Clinic (COOP) Relocation to Nat'l Guard Armory/UAS Rec Center in an Emergency** - Presentation by David Larkin, VA Outpatient Clinic Nurse Care Manager. A new COOP plan was being developed and they would like to include a relocation in an emergency of the Medical Clinic and the Veterans Affairs Medical Clinic to the UAS/National Guard Armory joint use center. They want to include community partners in this decision-making process and welcome comments.

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3. **Red Cross Volunteer Information** - Presentation by Jay Kurtz – Cancelled due to a Red Cross Disaster Response- Anticipate rescheduling this presentation to a future date
4. **LEPC Monthly Meeting Relocation to Airport** – Michelle Brown reported that the Airport had advised her that the new parking situation was now in place and they could offer free parking to the LEPC participants for their monthly meetings if they chose to hold them in the Alaska Conference Room in the airport. This would require either a date or time change. Tom proposed we take a group vote on the move. See Action Items.
5. **All Hazards Mitigation & Whole Community Input Planning** – Tom Mattice reported that a Request for Proposal (RFP) was being developed at this time to secure a contractor to facilitate a re-write of the existing plan. This would include intensive input from community partners.

I. ACTION ITEMS

Proposal: Does the Juneau LEPC choose to continue to hold monthly meetings at the current location of the Nat'l Guard Armory/UAS Rec Center on the second Wednesday of each month or move to the Airport for a more central location and change the date or time of future meetings?

Results: Unanimous vote to remain at the current meeting location, date, and time.

J. INFORMATION ITEMS

6. **AlaskaEx 2026** -SE AK Regional Exercise with events beginning in 2025 through 2026
Supporting Event 103rd Civil Support Team exercise in 2025
POC: Tom Mattice (907) 209-9207 - tom.mattice@juneau.gov
7. **Structural Collapse Training – Open registration**
Date: July 15-16 & 21-23 (Sat. no class)
POC: Ed Quinto (907) 723-2306 – ed.quinto@juneau.gov

K. NEXT MEETING DATE

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

Blended Meeting w/ZOOM Webinar Capabilities

Location: Nat'l Guard Armory/UAS Rec Center (12300 Mendenhall Loop Rd - Room 116)

PLEASE ATTEND IN PERSON WHENEVER POSSIBLE

*Regular meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of each month

L. ADJOURNMENT

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