



# LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

July 12, 2023, at 12:00 PM

Zoom Webinar

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## VIRTUAL MEETING INFORMATION

<https://juneau.zoom.us/j/99118835453> or 1-253-215-8782 Webinar ID: 991 1883 5453

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**A. CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Ed Williams 12:06pm

**B. ROLL CALL:**

**Establish Quorum:** Michelle Brown confirmed quorum was present.

**Welcome & Introductions:**

**New Members** – Hospital Seat Alternate-Nate Rumsey (BRH)  
Haz/Mat Transporter seat-Nicole Ferrin (NWS)

**Members Present:** Wade Bryson, Scott Erickson, Ed Quinto, Travis Wolfe, Louisa Phillips, Evan Price, Jennifer Pemberton, Warren Russell, Chris Russell, Ryan Sand, Karen Wood, Ed Williams, Nicole Ferrin, Ken Murphy, Eileen Hosey, Erin Walker-Tolles, Sabrina Boone, Elaine Hickey, Tom Mattice, Michelle Brown

**Members Absent:** David Campbell, Destiny Sargeant, Nathan Rumsey, Britt Tonnessen, Loren Jones, Corey Padron, Jamie Bursell

**Others Present:** Andrea Flockhart, Chelsea Swick, Emily McMahan, Kraig Campbell, Michael Pierson

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** July 12, 2023 - Agenda was amended to add item 7 under Unfinished Business for a demonstration of the cities new emergency preparedness and response vehicle.

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. June 14, 2023, Draft Minutes of the Juneau Local Emergency Planning Committee unanimously approved.

**E. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (15 Minutes):**

None

**F. STAFF REPORTS**

**Elected Official Report-Wade Bryson** – reported that the Hospital Board was approved at the Monday June 12 Assembly meeting.

**Emergency Programs Report – Tom Mattice** reported that the State moved the award of Federal grant funding to proceed with Whole Community all hazard planning revisions to the Fall and will begin community planning meetings at that time. CBJ Emergency Programs will be hiring an individual in November to train into the coordination position Michelle is retiring from at the end of February.

**JPD-Scott Erickson & Krag Campbell** reported on the city's new armored emergency preparedness and response vehicle, which was successfully used recently for an incident. It is based on the frame of an F550 with added ballistic armor which allows on the scene officers safety in unsafe environments. The vehicle will be shared between multiple agencies and will allow response to multiple missions including going through high water in case of flooding that normal vehicles cannot travel through. If approved, it will be used for National Night Out. No current plans to change the paint from bright red; multiple city agencies collaborated and agreed upon the color. The vehicle is currently being dubbed "Clifford" in honor of the

children's tale "Clifford the Big Red Dog". Thank you to Tom and Michelle for the years of work they put in in helping secure this vehicle.

**CCFR – Ed Quinto** reported they have been working on training their staff. They are currently hiring, please refer anyone who might be interested to them. There will be official job announcements going out in August.

**Hospital – Evan Price** reported they experiences a technical problem on June 29<sup>th</sup> but were able to restore full network capabilities shortly. There was no impact on patient care due to the problem.

**Haz/Mat – Nicole Ferrin advised that** Suicide Basin is still being monitored. Images on the website are updated around 8am and 2pm daily. At current rate of rise, the basin should over cap in around two weeks. They supported the voyage of the Polynesian voyaging canoe throughout Southeast waters until they were handed off to British Columbia, Canada. Fire danger has not been elevated yet this year due to a wet spring.

**Alaska Native Tribal – Sabrina Boone** reported T&H recently had 25 employees complete the train-the-trainer ALICE course. The goal is to start expanding the education of employees and then possibly open the training up to the general public. Currently looking at adding an additional village SEARHC option, this will be officially announced after they finish the official paperwork.

#### G. NEW BUSINESS

2. **Virtual Course Discussion**-Tom Mattice: <https://ruraltraining.org/course/mgt-405-v-mobilizing-faith-based-community-organizations-in-preparing-for-disasters/> Currently coordinating with local religious leaders to bring the course in the fall but more likely to be ready in about 6 months. Hope to have more information on this course in the future. Would like to be able to offer the course to high level leaders in each of the organizations connected to the LEPC in approximately 6 months.

#### H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3. **LEPC Future Monthly Meetings Discussion** - Michelle Brown  
Phil Adams, Deputy Manager, JNU Airport - Alaska Room available starting in Fall 2023

Date Change from 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month **or time change** would be necessary.  
Questionnaire/Poll will be sent out in the next couple of months.

Michelle will work on putting together a poll to send to everyone for availability of possible date/times for future meetings.

4. **LEPC Recruitment**-Michelle Brown  
We currently have no open seats.
5. **All Hazard Mitigation & Whole Community Input Planning – Tom Mattice** to begin Fall 2023. There has been no movement on the grant award. This long delay in processing is hamstringing us. Tom has a meeting with his boss this afternoon to discuss what changes/directions should be taken next.
6. **CERT Program (Ongoing Item-Inactive)** – Sabrina Boone had nothing new to report. Seeking leadership, partners, and a strong partnership with CCFR, JPD, and Tribal Government. Corey Padron advised that he, through Tlingit & Haida; plan to coordinate a resurgence of the CERT program for the Juneau area. Need to meet with CCFR and JPD to begin the process.
7. **New Tactical EMS/Rescue Vehicle** demonstration by JPD was given in the parking area after the virtual meeting ended.

#### I. ACTION ITEMS - None

**J. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**8. Lithium-ion battery safety hybrid meeting**

Host: Consumer Protection Safety Bureau

Date: Thursday, July 27, 2023

Time: 7:00-8:00 am Alaska Time

Registration: [Registration Lithium-ion Battery Safety Meeting](#)

POC: Kathy Shea, Interagency Coordination-Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation

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907-269-3071

**9. Alaska Red Cross Community Potluck**

Host: Juneau Branch Red Cross

Date: Thursday, August 17, 2023

Time: 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Registration: [RSVP & Potluck Signup](#)

POC: Britt Tonnessen, American Red Cross of Alaska, Disaster Program Manager - Southeast

[britt.tonnessen@redcross.org](mailto:britt.tonnessen@redcross.org)

907-727-5361

10. Michelle Brown and Tom Mattice are in a 6 month strategic planning process to replace Michelle whom will be retiring early next year. Her position should hire in November/December timeframe.

11. Airport Exercise: Table to exercise on Wednesday July 19<sup>th</sup> 9am-12pm. ATT will do a demonstration open to the public after the exercise from 1p-4p.

**K. NEXT MEETING DATE**

**Wednesday, August 09, 2023, Noon to 1pm – Please attend in-person when possible.**

Hybrid Meeting w/ZOOM Webinar Capabilities

Location: Nat'l Guard Armory/UAS Rec Center Joint Use Facility. Room 116

***PLEASE ATTEND IN PERSON WHENEVER POSSIBLE***

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

**M. ADJOURNMENT – 12:45 pm**

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