

Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

DATE: March 22nd, 2023
 CHAIR: Amanda Loach

RECORDER: Andrew Preis

MEMBERS PRESENT (P = Present, O = Online, A=Absent, AE=Absent/excused)

	P	Other Agencies Represented:	Other Attendees:
Chairperson – Amanda Loach			
<u>LEPC Voting Members:</u>			
Erich Scheunemann – Vice Chair and Fire	P	Robin Dern	O
Doug Lamkin – Building Owner / Manager	A	Wendy Reese	O
George Vakalis – SERC / Member-at-Large	P	Marc McCafferty	O
Alyssa Farrar – Local Environmental	P	Drielle Welch	O
Manch Garhart – First Aid / EMS	O	Andy Kendrick	O
Ashley Lally – Civil Defense	P	Mark - AMRG	O
Lore Olson – Hospitals	O		
John Hurfman – Local Disaster Planning / CERT	AE		
Kelly Isham – Health / medical	AE		
Gerard Asselin – Local Law Enforcement	O		
<u>Support Staff:</u>			
Audrey Gray-OEM	P		
Andrew Preis-OEM	P		
<u>Ex-Officio Members (non-voting):</u>			
Dr. Michael Savitt - Health	A		
Aviva Braun - Weather	AE		
JJ Little – SOA/DHS&EM	AE		
<u>Reporting Agencies:</u>			
Community Right to Know (CRTK) - Jean Boyda	O		
State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)	P		
Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHS&EM) – TBD	A		
Alaska Partnership for Infrastructure Protection (APIP) – Shawna Watson / Robert Carmichael	A		
Joint Medical Emergency Planning Group (JIMEPG) – Lore Olson	O		
Communications (AWARN/ALMR) Jason Beach	O		
Anchorage Health Department (AHD) - Renee Aguilar	P		
Community Emergency Response Team (CERT/Citizen Corp)	O		
Emergency Operations Center	P		

AGENDA/ITEM	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATION/ACTIONS	FOLLOW-UP (Track, Open, Close)
Call to Order and Introductions	Meeting called to order by Chair Loach – 1:00pm		
Welcome and Roll Call	Welcome Rollcall – Andrew Preis Committee members present: 7/11 (quorum present)		
Safety Minute	<u>Pulse Point – Erich Scheunemann, AFD</u> Pulse Point has been live in the MOA for about 1 month. The technology has existed for about a decade. AFD has investigated a couple of different apps/techs, and this was determined to be best fit. Two different sides to it: - Community responder - Verified first responder Only for public spaces not private. Alerts people within ¼ mile of a cardiac arrest nearby they can choose to respond to. Hands only CPR! In the future there will be a notification feature for wildfire/brush fire incidents. App can be downloaded for Apple or Android in their respective application stores, or by going to www.pulsepoint.org .		
Consent Agenda- Approval of previous meeting minutes from 9/28/22	Approval of previous meeting minutes: Dec. 7, 2022	Motion: George Vakalis Second: Erich Scheunemann Result: Pass unanimous consent	Amanda to sign, Andy to post approved meeting minutes on OEM LEPC website after the meeting
Consent Agenda- Approval of Agenda for 12/17/22	Approval of current meeting agenda: March 22, 2023	Motion: George Vakalis Second: Alyssa Farrar Result: pass unanimous consent	Andy to polish the notes and send around for review prior to next meeting
Presentation	RAVE Mobile Safety – Audrey Gray, OEM EPM No longer have Nixle in the community, due to their contract running out. RFP process resulted in Rave Mobility Safety. Rave comes with so many additional capabilities	RECOMMENDED: plugging in all short codes being used by Rave and labeling them all as Rave so the phones don't reject or label as spam risk. SIGN UP AND REGISTER AN ACCOUNT. Text "Anchorage" to 67283, or go online to smart911	

	<p>over Nixle, including voice calls over land lines, usage of several short codes (versus 1 with Nixle), unlimited text messages, ability to alert specific area with targeting, sending polls to the community.</p> <p>Rave accounts for all levels of abilities including visual, audio, ESL (google translate powered), etc.</p> <p>Short codes – less than 10-digit codes for text messages. 226787, 67283, 78015, 77295, 22911 are all short codes used by Rave for MOA service.</p> <p>Next steps – sign up. Online at smart911, or text “Anchorage” to 67283.</p> <p>Working on simplifying message templates, translations into top 5 languages.</p> <p>In the meeting, Audrey ran a sample test message and recipients all got the messages as intended.</p>	<p>website and register.</p>	
<p>AGENCY REPORTS: Community Right to Know Act (CRTK)</p>	<p>Jean Boyda – AFD.</p> <p>Still processing CRTK reports for billing. 436 reports submitted thru e-plan as of today 3/22/23.</p> <p>Started sending out certificates of compliance.</p> <p>Question: How many entities should be reporting, but not reporting? 58 facilities delinquent out of about 460-470 total entities.</p>		
<p>Emergency Plans</p>	<p>4 different plans:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Q1 Integrated preparedness plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This is a true all stakeholder plan! - Incorporates POETE (plan, organize, equip, train, exercise). All stakeholders work together to make this comprehensive, in order to make things more efficient, less overlap. 2022 highlights include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 22 plans updated in MOA, despite down trend in personnel - 10 equipment projects completed - 20 trainings - 10 exercises - 2023 priorities are the same as the last 5 years. - Q2 Whole community information form 		<p>Audrey Gray to send it around for review.</p>

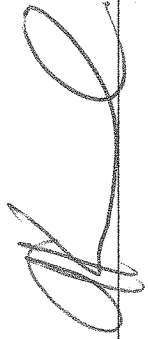
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Local THIRA/SPR. Looks at all the hazards in the community and identifies gaps and how to fill the gaps, and possible funding sources. Q3 emergency Operations plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Working to get Mayoral signature and full promulgation soon. Q4 Hazard mitigation plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - From Q4, made significant formatting and spelling updates. All hazards are consistent throughout the plan. Incorporated some community feedback, and working to incorporate more. Update to peak ground acceleration, schools with sheltering capabilities and supplies, Port of ALASKA updated for Port of Anchorage. Once CDBG-DR is activated, will be able to incorporate hazard plan into CEOP. 		
<p>State Emergency Response Committee (SERC)</p>	<p>George Vakalis – SERC Finance Committee Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to the funding situation. - LEPCs/LEPDs struggling without designated funding. Anchorage receives funds from reporting agencies and businesses, in order to perpetuate the program for the MOA. 		
<p>Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHS & EM)</p>	<p>N/A</p>		
<p>Alaska Partners for Infrastructure Protection (APIP)</p>	<p>N/A</p>		
<p>Joint Medical Emergency Planning Group (JMEPG)</p>	<p>Lore Olson – JMEPG Chair</p> <p>Ramping up for spring annual TTX, med surge mass casualty. Unfolding in Homer, secondary Ninilchik at Salmon Fest. First week of May.</p> <p>Trainings coming up to be sent around for LEPC committee members.</p>		<p>Lore Olson to send training notifications around for LEPC committee members.</p>
<p>Communications: (AWARN/ALMR)</p>	<p>Jason Beach – MOA Comms/Radio Shop</p> <p>Summer projects for AWARN component upgrades.</p> <p>Also working on replacing APD radios.</p>		

<p>Anchorage Health Department (AHD)</p>	<p>Renee Aguilar – EP Program Mgr. AHD Friday world TB day, AHD will be having a lunch with TB test event. SNS training at AHD completed. 80 ppl 1-year anniversary of Hiland Avalanche event, just a reminder. Participated in TTX Trailblazer with State Health, patient movement med surge TTX. Will carry over to another TTX later in the year. Have incorporated more coordination with OEM in grant application, in order to stay on top of each other's plans, better unification. Program Manager role at AHD EP is vacant. Had 6 different managers in the last 5 years. Recruited 3 times, with no success, have asked the PD be re-worked in order to better recruit.</p>		<p>Renee to follow up with AWWU for SNS training follow up.</p>
<p>Citizen Corps/CERT</p>	<p>(incorporate Huffmans notes) Girdwood CERT Dozen active members, active in training and exercises. Ilditarod dog incident on the highway, CERT responded Eagle River CERT interest.</p>		
<p>Emergency Operations Center</p>	<p>Andrew Preis – Programs Manager, OEM: Responses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dec'22 snow events, provided help with messaging, mapping/GIS - multiple collapsed roofs, provided help with messaging - Multi-unit structure fire, provided coordination for sheltering EOC facility update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New lighting fixtures in situation room - 6-panel display system fully complete and operational - Burst pipe restoration project underway, to include asbestos abatement Training/Exercise: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Audrey completed IPPW - Audrey completed certification to teach ICS </p>		

	<p>300/400 courses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TEEEX cyber training for SCADA, and cyber recovery <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AMC 3.80.010 updated to include everything OEM does. Passed assembly unanimously - Hired OEM intern, filled vacant positions for programs manager and cost recovery 		
<p>Ex-Officio member comments</p>	<p>N/A</p>		
<p>Unfinished Business: Open LEPC positions</p>			
<p>New Business:</p>	<p>AMC 3.80 update (see notes)</p> <p>Mark – AMRG vice chair (see notes for lead up)</p> <p>During the Hiland event, AMRG dispatched by State Troopers, with their worker's comp insurance over the group.</p> <p>Advisory group made up of State DOT, railroad, etc able to make aerial assessments of snow pack and determine need for mitigation. Then a few certified personnel can drop charges and mitigate slide areas.</p> <p>Need a better way to respond with AMRG capabilities and personnel, but need to be covered by worker's comp in order to dispatch. There is also issue with liability for the mitigation work, and who is willing to do the mitigation and take on the liability.</p>	<p>Risk Management and Legal would need to comment and advise on the worker's compensation insurance issue.</p> <p>Could reach out to State Troopers to ask what mechanism(s) they have in place in order to bring on and cover volunteers for SAR purposes.</p> <p>Could also reach out to Animal Care/Control for same thing, as a contractor that brings on volunteers.</p>	
<p>Public Comment</p>	<p>Andrew Kendrick Integrity compliance, risk management, compliance for many pipeline organizations.</p>		<p>Carve out time to present at future meeting(s)</p>

<p>Committee Member Comment</p>	<p>Scheunemann Schools are not included (for Pulse Point responses) AFD – plans to hire PIO still in the works. Need to connect position to funding, but will hopefully have a PIO soon. Also still working towards a program coordinator for wildfire mitigation. John Huffman report out from earlier. Also open to sharing grad program capstone research and findings in LEPC program improvement.</p>		
<p>ADJOURNMENT:</p>	<p>Motion requested to adjourn meeting (time) Motion: scheun Second: lally Meeting adjourned at: 2:58pm Next meeting will be Wednesday JUNE 21, 2023 1pm-3pm Loussac Library Moose Room/MS Teams hybrid</p>		

Signed _____



Date 6/21/23