



## Grays Harbor County Citizen Corps

October 9, 2019

### MINUTES

310 W Spruce Street, Montesano

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**Chair: Thom Wescott**

**Co-Chair: Stephanie Allestad**

**Secretary: Carmin McCullough**

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#### **Introductions:**

Stephanie Allestad – GHFD #8

Thom Wescott – CA CERT

Carmin McCullough- GHCEM

Brianne Probasco – GHCPH

Lance James – GH College

Mike Michener – Red Cross

Randy Dutton – GHCD

Eric Barre – Pacific Care Center

Tony Gomez – Caring Places Mgmt

Tracy Furth – Caring Places Mgmt

#### **REPORTS**

##### **Grays Harbor College: Lance James**

- ✓ Lance reported that they had several staff members attend the EXPO and he even received a call from the President of the College.
- ✓ The College has been advertising and preparing for the Great ShakeOut.
- ✓ November 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> – Basic CERT Class will be held at Grays Harbor College and is open to the public. Lance reported there is a possibility that the Nursing Program may be able to assist with the drill on the last day.

##### **GHFD #8: Stephanie Allestad**

- ✓ The Pacific Beach Grade School will break the Great ShakeOut drill into 2 sessions as the school has had an increase in students.
- ✓ Moulage Mayhem has been asked to assist with a drill for Summit Pacific Medical Center and GHFD #5. They also had 30 victim volunteers sign up at the EXPO for upcoming drills.
- ✓ Stephanie reported that the Raffle Table at the EXPO was surprisingly busy and she did not get an opportunity to see the other vendor tables at the EXPO.

##### **Grays Harbor Public Health: Brianne Probasco**

- ✓ Brianne reported that the Medical Reserve Corp (MRC) is currently on hold due to the departure of Dan Homchick. They do however have a meeting set up with a gentleman in Ocean Shores who is interested in revitalizing the program.
- ✓ Washington State Department of Health has activated an Incident Management Team (IMT) in response to the vaping issues. As of to date Grays Harbor County has had zero vaping issues to report.
- ✓ Lance James, Grays Harbor College has requested to be kept up to date in regards to the MRC as they may have students from the Nursing Program interested.

##### **Red Cross: Mike Michener**

- ✓ Mike reported his table was busy all day at the EXPO and they gave away all of their good stuff.
- ✓ The Red Cross has a new Disaster Program Manager and she will attend a Citizen Corps meeting in the near future to meet everyone.
- ✓ Mike is headed to the Affiliated Tribes meeting to give a presentation at the Suquamish Clearwater Casino Resort.

##### **Grays Harbor Civil Defense: Randy Dutton**

- ✓ Randy reported that he went around the EXPO and asked questions and took pictures and videos.

- ✓ Randy reported that WSDOT does not have a seismic event mitigation plan for the Bluff in Aberdeen for at least the next 8 years. Randy has concerns about the railroad and the road being a main evacuation route. He is hoping to motivate a change.

#### **Central County CERT: Thom Wescott**

- ✓ Thom reported at the EXPO he was able to get in contact with former CERT members who need to renew their 2 year Certification.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Emergency Preparedness EXPO: After Action Reports, lessons learned and next year resolutions.**

- ✓ keep all tables in the main hall
- ✓ add signs to all entrances advertising the Emergency Response Vehicles
- ✓ Would like to see the Shaker next year. If we have to rent the idea came about to apply for a Community Foundation Grant.
- ✓ Add some of the Grays Harbor County Notification forms to the raffle table
- ✓ Put raffle table on or near stage
- ✓ Put offers out to both Grays Harbor Radio and Jodesha Broadcasting
- ✓ Date set for 2020 as the first Saturday in October
- ✓ Skywarn had about 5 trainees in their class
- ✓ Next year market the event as 5<sup>th</sup> annual
- ✓ MHS had students come out and take footage of the EXPO and they are putting together a YouTube video we can post on our website. Request for students to take raw footage and create a commercial for next year.
- ✓ Add a save the date memo in the Thank You notes
- ✓ Other possible additions for next year
  1. Stop the Bleed
  2. Midland and or Reecom
  3. Mental Health Providers
  4. Food Prep
  5. Offer flu shots
  6. Self Defense

#### ***DATES TO REMEMBER:***

- ❖ **Monday Evenings – Free Amateur Radio Classes – 6:00pm – Shoppes at Riverside**
- ❖ **October 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:17am – The Great ShakeOut (things to remember: sign up, AHAB will have the wail sound and GHCDEM will test their Notification System that day)**
- ❖ **October 19<sup>th</sup> – Volunteer Fair – Aberdeen Eagles**
- ❖ **November 5<sup>th</sup> – Red Cross Blood Drive – 1:30-7:00pm – Moose Lodge #1210 (Montesano)**

**Next Regular Meeting- Wednesday, November 13th, 2019 @ 9am**  
**GH County Emergency Management**