



Grays Harbor County Citizen Corps

April 10, 2019

MINUTES

310 W Spruce Street, Montesano

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Chair: Tammy Fairley

Co Chair: Thom Wescott

Secretary: Carmin McCullough

Introductions:

Stephanie Allestad – GHFD #8
Hannah Eison – QIN EM
Cal Bray – Chehalis Tribe
John Collum – GHFD #8

Thom Wescott – OS CERT
David Bain – GHCH
Mike Michener – Red Cross
Bonnie Yurkas - GH Rehab

Carmin McCullough- GHCEM
Brienne Probasco – GHCPH
Dan Homchick – GHCPH
Donna Robinson – GH Rehab

REPORTS

Grays Harbor County Emergency Management: Carmin McCullough

- ✓ Hannah Cleverly had a question in regards to meeting frequency. Does this group want to remain meeting monthly or move to every other month? Group agreed they would like to continue meeting monthly.
- ✓ Notified the group that the Shoppes at Riverside fee for the Emergency Preparedness EXPO would be \$100. That would include use of all public space, community room, tables & chairs. The group voted to use this location for the EXPO on October 5th.

Quinault Emergency Management: Hannah Eison

- ✓ Hannah reported that Queets will have an AHAB Siren installed within the next couple of weeks.

Grays Harbor Rehab: Bonnie Yurkas and Donna Robinson

- ✓ Bonnie and Donna attended this meeting as long term care is required to participate in live drills and have EM plans for everything. David Bain from Grays Harbor Community Hospital has offered his assistance to help them move forward.

Chehalis Tribe: Cal Bray

- ✓ Cal reported that the Chehalis Tribe has completed the Firewise Training. This was a great training for both homeowners and businesses. It taught the steps to take and maintain to protect against fire. The next Firewise Training will be held October 9th in Mason County.

GHFD #8: Stephanie Allestad

- ✓ May 18th - GHFD #8 will hold a tabletop exercise. The scenario will include a High School Reunion, where people are staying all over the town. The main focus will be on evacuation, communication and reunification. Current participants include SBRFA, Chief Logan (OSPD), GHSO and State Parks. The Quinault Indian Nation and the CERT Teams are invited to participate as well.
- ✓ Stephanie recently attended the Washington Festival Events Conference. At that conference she said that Director of WSEMD spoke about the differences between Boston and Las Vegas. The Boston Marathon uses that event as a drill every year therefore, all the players were in position and ready to go. Next year the Washington Festival Events Conference will provide “Stop the Bleed” training all 3 days.
- ✓ Stephanie and Chief Collum both gave an update on the ammo situation at Pacific Beach. The ammo is still washing up on the beach and will continue for several years. They explained how the explosive is in the head of bullet. It has a 6 ft. blast radius and it feels like a sonic boom hitting your house.

GH County Public Health: Dan Homchick and Brianne Probasco

- ✓ Dan notified the group that the Medical Reserve Corps currently has about 22 members. The goal for this next year is to establish an active MRC group and increase the membership to about 50-60 volunteers.
- ✓ Brianne gave an update on the measles outbreak. Currently there have been 0 confirmed cases in Grays Harbor County. A measles Q/A has been added to the GHC Public Health website.
- ✓ Public Health also notified they have had several new employees and they are in the process of updating the training plan every 5 years.

Grays Harbor Community Hospital: David Bain

- ✓ April 15th – Blood Drive and GH Community Hospital
- ✓ April 17th – Speaker Series will be about Donor Awareness
- ✓ Upcoming trainings and testing will include a NW Healthcare Hospital and Long Term Care tabletop and they will test their communications later this year.

Red Cross: Mike Michener

- ✓ Mike announced to the group that Red Cross currently has a temporary Disaster Program Manager. He also announced that he will be interviewing with Red Cross for the Regional Program Manager position.
- ✓ “High in Plain Sight” workshop will be held on April 24th Hoquiam High School 1:15pm and 3:00pm. April 25th Rotary Log Pavilion 8:00am and 12:00pm. This workshop will cover signs of alcohol and drug use.
- ✓ 12:00 CCAP will have an Open House as well as receive a Business Award.

OLD BUSINESS

MEETINGS IN 2019:

- ✓ Discussion of planning a tabletop exercise and as to whether or not it should be done at the EXPO.
- ✓ There was also discussion of setting up a mock EOC/ECC at the EXPO for public viewing.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- ❖ Monday Evenings – Free Amateur Radio Classes – 6:00pm – Shoppes at Riverside
- ❖ April 13th – Moulage Mayhem – 9:00am – GHFD#8 Pacific Beach
- ❖ April 18th – 20th – CERT Training – 9:00am – Ocean Shores Fire Department
- ❖ May 14th – Red Cross Blood Drive – 1:30-6:30pm – Montesano Presbyterian Church
- ❖ July 9th – Red Cross Blood Drive – 1:30-7:00pm – Church of God (Montesano)
- ❖ September 10th – Red Cross Blood Drive – 1:30-7:00pm - Assembly of God (Montesano)
- ❖ November 5th – Red Cross Blood Drive – 1:30-7:00pm – Moose Lodge #1210 (Montesano)
- ❖ June 12th – Evening Citizen Corps Meeting – 6:00pm – Grays Harbor County DEM
- ❖ October 5th – Emergency Preparedness EXPO – Shoppes at Riverside (formerly S. Shore Mall)
- ❖ October 19th – Volunteer Fair – Aberdeen Eagles

Next Regular Meeting- Wednesday, May 8, 2019 @ 9am GH County Emergency Management