



Grays Harbor County Citizen Corps

August 14, 2019

MINUTES

310 W Spruce Street, Montesano
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Chair: Thom Wescott

Co-Chair: Stephanie Allestad

Secretary: Carmin McCullough

Introductions:

Stephanie Allestad – GHFD #8
Hannah Eison – QIN EM
Cal Bray – Chehalis Tribe
Michaelle Fries – Red Cross

Thom Wescott – CA CERT
Brienne Probasco – GHCPH
Arica French – GH911
Liz Schroeder – Red Cross

Carmin McCullough- GHCDM
Tim Simon - GHCH
Patty Stansberry – Cintas

REPORTS

Central Area CERT: Thom Wescott

- ✓ August 23rd – Animals in 1st Aid pilot course will take place at the pound in Taholah.
- ✓ September - CERT Basic Class in Montesano
- ✓ November – CERT Basic Class at Grays Harbor College (open to the public)

Grays Harbor Community Hospital: Tim Simon

- ✓ Monday, August 19th the hospital will hold a meeting to put together their plan for the EXPO.

Grays Harbor E911: Arica French

- ✓ Arica reported that they participated in the National Night Out in Elma and now they are preparing for the Emergency Preparedness EXPO.

Chehalis Tribe: Cal Bray

- ✓ Cal reported that his presentation at the Museum of History in Seattle went well. They are finding that many new Seattle citizens are not educated about the faults and potential hazards in Western Washington.
- ✓ Current updates on the Chehalis Tribe:
 1. National Night Out went well.
 2. Preparing for the Annual Meeting in November.
 3. Waiting for new tribal guidelines so they can update their Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Quinault Indian Nation: Hannah Eison

- ✓ Hannah reported that the new AHAB Siren in Queets is being installed on Monday.
- ✓ It was reported that both Queets and Quinault have emergency supplies such as food, diapers etc. to last for 2 weeks. They are currently in the process of developing a plan that will allow them to have 2 weeks of water available.

Red Cross: Michaëlle Fries

- ✓ Michaëlle stated they have a new program manager from Wenatchee. With the changes in leadership they are trying to reorganize and decide who is doing what job.
- ✓ Michaëlle has been filling in for Mike Michener as he is recovering for surgery. She has come to Grays Harbor to assist with some fires as our local volunteer has taken some vacation time.
- ✓ Michaëlle also gave us an update on local Red Cross Shelters. There is a lack of response from certain shelters or she has found that some of the contacts are out of date. She is open to having some help with the contacts.

Cintas: Patty Stansberry

- ✓ Patty reported that they participated in the National Night Out in Westport and they are looking forward to joining our EXPO this year.

Public Health: Brianne Probasco

- ✓ Brianne reported that they are in the process of revitalizing the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC). They have been contacted by a gentleman in Ocean Shores who is experienced and has an interest in helping out. They are looking at that option and they have a nurse in Taholah who is interested as well.

GHFD #8: Stephanie Allestad

- ✓ Stephanie reported that the 5th annual Community Fair at Pacific Beach went well. Some highlights and participants were: a display for the Fire Hall's 60th year anniversary, Moulage Mayhem, café area for people to eat and people watch, Molina Healthcare brought out a bike that makes smoothies, Sheriff's Office had a K-9 demo, and there were mascots for the kids Smokey Bear, Sparky the Dog, and Bagley Beaver.

OLD BUSINESS

Emergency Preparedness EXPO: Saturday, October 5th – Shoppes at Riverside (formerly SS Mall)

✓ **Advertisement**

1. Discussion took place in regards to the EXPO Poster. Some ideas were to list as a family event, list the vendors, pictures of mascots showing it is for kids as well as adults. Stephanie also reported the person making the flyers will have headers for social media and email.
 2. Radio Shows: Hannah will announce on Coffee Talk, Tammy Fairley of CERT will have 4 radio shows prior to the EXPO, 2 on KXRO and 2 on KOSW and Stephanie Allestad, GHFD#8 on KXPB.
 3. Reader Boards that will be used for advertisement will be Greater GH and GHFD #2. Currently City of Aberdeen is currently booked up and the mall has a new sign without a reader board.
 4. Current Social media used is Facebook for Grays Harbor County Emergency Management, Citizen Corps and both St. Mary's and ACS Translation have posted a Spanish Save the Date on their Facebook pages.
 5. The EXPO has been posted on Calendar of Events under Grays Harbor Talk and Greater Grays Harbor.
 6. Other possible forms of advertisement are Sandwich Boards, Preparedness EXPO sign, DOT Reader Board, use Grays Harbor Transit and Grays Harbor College reader board.
- ✓ Mascots attending this year: Sparky the Dog, Bagley Beaver, McGruff and possibly Smokey Bear.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- ❖ **Monday Evenings – Free Amateur Radio Classes – 6:00pm – Shoppes at Riverside**
- ❖ **September 10th – Red Cross Blood Drive – 1:30-7:00pm - Assembly of God (Montesano)**
- ❖ **September 11th – Evening Citizen Corps Meeting – 6:00pm – Grays Harbor County DEM**
- ❖ **November 5th – Red Cross Blood Drive – 1:30-7:00pm – Moose Lodge #1210 (Montesano)**
- ❖ **October 5th – Emergency Preparedness EXPO – Shoppes at Riverside (formerly S. Shore Mall)**
- ❖ **October 19th – Volunteer Fair – Aberdeen Eagles**

Next Regular Meeting- Wednesday, September 11, 2019 @ 9am GH County Emergency Management