

MEETING MINUTES
FARMINGTON / FARMINGTON HILLS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMISSION
JANUARY 10, 2022
FARMINGTON HILLS CITY HALL – VIEWPOINT ROOM
31555 W. ELEVEN MILE RD.
FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48336

CALLED TO ORDER BY: CHAIR AVIE AT 5:03PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: ECHOLS, AVIE, SCHERTEL, SLOAN, HOPFE, CIARAMITARO, WECKER, FAINE (assoc.)

MEMEBRS ABSENT: NONE

OTHERS PRESENT: J. Neufeld (FHFD), J. Piggot (FHPD), Yuskowatz (YMCA)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Ciaramitaro, support by Wecker, to approve the agenda as submitted.
Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NOVEMBER 01, 2021

Motion by Schertel, support by Ciaramitaro, to approve the minutes as amended.
Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET ITEMS:

- There is currently no budget report – there has been some change in personnel at each City – will obtain an official report for next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Tourniquets were purchased as requested in November meeting – (10), 2 intermediate kits, 2 basic kits (Schertel issued stop the bleed kit) – need to advertise that we are selling kits at the stop the bleed training. Will replace the items once purchased on a one for one basis.
- Talked to Jamie Vassis at The Hawk – have a room that we can use as a “break down room” – Chair Avie donating 2 or 3 racks with wheels to the storage area. The room is on the 3rd floor, to the left as you come off of the ramp – will get a room number this week. We can get rid of things we don’t need before we move. There is CERT stuff and EPC stuff at station 4 right now. This week Thursday or Friday members will meet to go through everything prior to the move and possibly move the items over to The Hawk.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Discuss EPC Goals – we need to start marketing the group at different events in the City.
 - Establish an updated technology strategy and presence - get control of our website. Mike Sweeny has volunteered to be the EPC webmaster. Once we get a handle on what is happening with the EPC, we can establish a calendar. Deadline – by the next meeting the website will be updated.

- Conduct 2 major community educational events in addition to the monthly CPR classes offered – There is a person who put on self defense classes for families, Bryan Pizzuti, that we could utilize for a class. Lt. Jennifer Miles will also put on a self defense class for women. Ciaramitaro, Echols, and Schertel will coordinate an outdoor event at the end of August.
- Obtain CERT Team list and qualifications and establish protocol regarding CERT Team activation and roles – CERT is being tabled until we get our items established.
- Move EPC Equipment to The Hawk – discussed in old business
- Election of Officers – Avie willing to be Chair or another year, Wecker would like to stay on as Vice Chair. We need a CERT coordinator – no one has volunteered as of yet.
- Move next meeting to March 14th, 2022

MICHIGAN AND REGIONAL CERT ACTIVITIES:

- No report.

LIAISON REPORTS:

FHFD – J. Neufeld

- 11,354 calls for service in 2021

YMCA – N. Yuskowatz

- The YMCA in Metro Detroit is celebrating 170 years in September. There is a promotion going on right now in the YMCA app to log 170 minutes of workouts. Currently, emergency service workers get 50% off for 2 months if they sign up. Day Camp sign up is open.

FHPD – J. Piggot

- There is a possible protest tomorrow at the school board meeting – the meeting was moved from the school board meeting room to North Farmington High School. There are 30-40 officers detailed to the meeting.
- There have been several fatal pedestrian vs. vehicle accidents since the last meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- No public comment

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

- Faine – CERT ID cards are expired – will address with CERT updates later in the year. Narcan from his CERT kit is also expired – unsure who to contact to change out the Narcan. Ciaramitaro advised Faine to look at the card that the kit came with to determine who issued the medication in order to get it changed out.
- Echols – let's look at the EPC FB account along with the website – there are a LOT of posts on the EPC FB page that have no relevance to the EPC or local issues. Avie advised that Sweenie will take care of that.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

It was confirmed that the next meeting date is on Monday, March 14, 2022 at 5pm at Farmington Hills City Hall – Viewpoint Room. (This is a change in date due to the unavailability of the Chair and Vice Chair for the original March 7, 2022 date.)

ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Avie adjourned the meeting at 6:22pm.

Minutes drafted by Secretary Echols