

MEETING MINUTES
FARMINGTON / FARMINGTON HILLS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMISSION
MAY 1, 2023
FARMINGTON HILLS CITY HALL – VIEWPOINT ROOM
31555 W. 11 MILE RD.
FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48336

CALLED TO ORDER BY: CHAIR AVIE AT 5:02 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: SWEENEY, SLOAN, WECKER, SCHERTEL, SIEGRIST, HOPFE, CIARAMITARO, ECHOLS, AVIE, YUSKOWATZ, FORSHEE

MEMEBRS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Hohanisin (FPS), J. Piggott (FHPD), K. Massey (FH City Council), J. Neufeld (FHFD)

CITIZENS PRESENT: Bill Smith, Mark Forshee

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Sweeney, support by Schertel, to approve March 6, 2023 meeting minutes as submitted.
Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET ITEMS:

- Spent approx. \$400 on kits for CPR and Stop the Bleed kits

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Women & Friends Self Defense Seminar – (Schertel) Farmington Marshal Arts is not interested in assisting anymore. Captain Jen Miles with Oakland County Sheriff's Office is willing to assist.
- Need more people to sign up for the tip of the month – May, June, October, November still open. Echols will send out the sign up link again with each email.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Farmington Hills large scale exercise participation – May 16, 2023, 8:00am to 2:30pm:
Farmington Hills is hosting a large scale incident that involves a vehicle crashing into a large crowd. Looking for volunteers to participate as victims, members of the public, etc. This event is to encourage the use of the Stop the Bleed training, citizen response, and PD transportation. 40

patients will be taken to Corwell Farmington Hills and 10 patients will be transported to the new facility on 7 Mile and Haggerty.

- M. Sweeney has developed a spreadsheet to track EPC items and goals – The sheet has been created to track EPC activities. The sheet is arranged by the groups that did the activity. There are many items that the EPC has assisted in either advertising or hosted. This sheet will assist in tracking information for the website and social media.
- Narcan Training through Families Against Narcotics (FAN) – if you attend the Narcan training they provide 2 doses of Narcan to each participant (one to keep, one to give to someone else). Wecker invited FAN to the EMS Instructor Conference so they can help spread the message and spread training availability.
- Art on the Grand -
- Farmington Founders Festival – Corwell Farmington Hills will be getting four – 10x10 tents for the event on July 21, 22. Echols will look into information from FEMA to pass out this year.
- New Members – Bill Smith is interested in becoming a member.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: (none)

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **FPS (Houhanisin)** – Farmer’s Market opening this coming Saturday, May 6, 2023. The entire staff of the Farmer’s Market has been trained in Stop the Bleed.
- **Maseey (FH City Council)** – EPC needs to submit a budget request this year. Thank you for bringing back the Tip of the Month – it has been well received. Going over the revision of the master plan for land use – this will take over a year. There are some areas that may get us more quota licenses if it is redeveloped. The Corridor Improvement Authority (along 8 Mile) can develop more restaurants. City is looking at 2 additional Corridor Improvement Authorities. Public input will be requested when they come up. There are a few large developments on the table right now – 14 and Northwestern and 14 and Orchard Lake – apartment complexes in this area. Sarah Fischer – proposal currently on the table to use the main building for a medical rehabilitation facility and 50 owner occupied condominiums. Many road projects going on in the City. Police and Fire Departments provided their annual reports for 2023 at the most recent council meeting. The City is celebrating 50 years this year. In our 12th year as a Safe City and suicide rates have dropped to only 5 in the last year.
- **FHPD (Piggott)** – Citizen’s Police Academy was successful. Citations & Awards committee has met – 23 citations and awards submitted for for taking illegal guns off the street, the average is 5 or 6 in the same time frame in past years. License Plate Readers have already proven to be invaluable and are assisting the investigative unit. The cameras can be purchased by businesses in order to assist in surveillance.

- **YMCA (Yuskowatz)** – started community campaign last week. Lots of stories about how the YMCA has helped the community. There is a group called Live Strong for cancer survivors to gain strength and health back – paid for by private insurance and has been going well. Had previous staffing issues in the aquatics department – as well as everyone else (The Hawk, Costick, etc.). YMCA will pay for training for lifeguards who work at YMCA. The YMCA is a non-profit organization and donations go directly to the seniors, children’s activities, family activities in Farmington Hills. The money stays in the community. YMCA Metro’s CEO is retiring.
- **Neufeld (FHFD)** – 14 mile water main has been repaired by GLWA, the water system is now stronger than it was before. 2021 saw a lot of storms. The City spent approx. 1.5 Million in response and received 1Million back in State funded returns. We now have someone in Farmington Pubic Schools that is supporting Stop the Bleed in the schools. All teachers have been trained in some capacity.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: (none)

- **AVIE** - Veterans Benefit Night at the American Legion Post 390 in Livonia – open to all DOD Military Veterans & Family members interested in learning about available benefits.
- **SWEENEY** – all media attention surrounding FHPD has been great this month – a lot of gratitude has been given to PD.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

It was confirmed that the next meeting date is on Monday, June 5, 2023 in the Community Room.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Avie adjourned the meeting at 6:34 pm.

Minutes drafted by Secretary Echols