



Washoe County
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
General Membership

Tracy Moore – Chair
Scott Alquist – Vice-chair
Eric Millett – At-Large

December 15, 2016, 9:00 A.M.
Regional Emergency Operations Center
5195 Spectrum Boulevard, Reno, Nevada

1. * CALL TO ORDER/ DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Vice-chair Alquist called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. A quorum was established.

PRESENT: Scott Alquist – Truckee Meadows Community College; Jack Byrom – Truckee Meadows Water Authority; Kent Choma – Inter-Hospital Coordinating Committee; Michelle Gitmed – Reno Police; Bruce Hicks – North Lake Fire Protection District; Sam Hicks – Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District; Dave Hunkup – Reno Sparks Indian Colony; Aaron Kenneston – Washoe County Emergency Management; Rob Larson – Reno Police; Chris Long – Washoe County Technology Services; Bob Leighton – Reno Fire; Eric Millette – Sparks Fire Department; Brian Passow – Veterans Administration; Don Pelt – Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe; Rob Reeder – Regional Transportation Commission; Suzy Rogers – Reno Public Safety Dispatch; Stanton Tang – KOLO-TV Channel 8; and Amanda Windes – University of Nevada, Reno;

ABSENT: Mechellette Arenque – Veterans Administration; Jerry Baldrige – Washoe County Sheriff's Office; Wade Barnett – KOLO-TV Channel 8; Jim Bolton – Reno Fire Department; Paul Burton – REMSA; Brian Calder – North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District; Darryl Cleveland – Truckee Meadows Community College; Kevin Compel – Truckee Meadows Water Authority; Christina Conti – Washoe County Health District; Mark Covington – Washoe County District attorney's Office; Cassie Darrough – Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe; Jason Elorza – Sparks Fire Department; Tom Green – Washoe County Sheriff's Office; Nida Harjo – Reno Sparks Indian Colony; Jim Hendrickson – University of Nevada, Reno; Greg Herrera – Washoe County Sheriff's Office; Chris Hicks – Washoe County District Attorney; Erin Holland – Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District; Elaina Hooper – Reno Public Safety Dispatch; Dave Hunkup – Reno Sparks Indian Colony; Eric James – University of Nevada, Reno; Todd Kerfoot – REMSA; Quinn Korbolic – Washoe County Technology Services; Jace LaFever – Inter-Hospital Coordinating Committee; Spencer Lewis – University of Nevada, Reno; Teresa Long – Washoe County Health District; Shawn McEvers – Sparks Fire Department; Casey Micone – Reno Tahoe Airport Authority; Tracy Moore – Washoe County School District; Dock Nachtsheim – Reno Fire Department; Tom Nelson – Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority; Ed Pearce – KOLO-TV Channel 8; Debbie Penrod – University of Nevada, Reno; John Puccioni – NV Energy; Jim Reagan – NV Energy; Angela Reich – Regional Transportation Commission; Jim Reid – Sparks Fire Department; Al Rogers – Washoe County Management Services; Bob Sack – Washoe County Health District; Robert Smith – Washoe County Animal Services; Shyanne Schull – Washoe County Animal Services; Ryan Sommers – North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District; Brian Taylor – REMSA; Jason Trevino – Washoe County School District; Greta Woyciehowsky – City of Sparks; and Dominica Yturbide – Reno Public Safety Dispatch.

2. * PUBLIC COMMENT

Aaron Kenneston expressed his appreciation for Liz Paulsen for stepping in to assist in administrative activities for the LEPC. As of December 5, 2016, 30 candidates have applied for the Grants Coordinator position vacated with Cathy Ludwig's departure. It is hoped that the position will be filled in early January 2017.

3. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 20, 2016 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MINUTES

It was moved by Rob Reeder, seconded by Brian Passow, to approve the October 20, 2016, minutes, as submitted.

There were no public comments.

MOTION CARRIED.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT – A review, discussion and possible action to accept Revenue and Payables reports.

Aaron Kenneston commented that Ms. Ludwig had reconciled the accounts before leaving. Therefore, he has no specific report at this time.

5. * GRANT OPPORTUNITIES - Information and discussion of upcoming and/or existing LEPC grants.

Aaron Kenneston noted that two applications had been filed one by the Inter-Hospital Coordinating Committee and the TRIAD. Mr. Kenneston outlined changes being made in the process for Reno Fire Shows and Continuing Challenge. Mr. Kenneston outlined the number of attendees since 2014 and pointed out that SERC is now requiring that the number of attendees by agency be provided by the first of the year in the future. A Grants and Finance Subcommittee meeting is slated for Thursday, January 12, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. The LEPC GM will review and approve the recommendation at their regular meeting on Thursday, February 16, 2017, under a special dispensation allowed by SERC.

6. * UPDATE ON REGIONAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EVENTS - A briefing of regional meetings, events, trainings and exercises.

Aaron Kenneston, Emergency Manager – Washoe County Emergency Management, drew attention 2017 calendar and noted upcoming training events including 300 and 400 Classes and the airport exercise being coordinated by Scott Alquist. Mr. Kenneston noted that the Sparks Fire Department is hosting crude oil training at the main Sparks Fire Station which is focused on highly flammable crude oil that comes through the region via the railroad. Mr. Kenneston noted that potential flood alerts and warning have been posted for the region.



Washoe County Regional Yearly Training and Exercise Calendar 2016 – 2017



January 2017

- 10-11 – Incident Command Systems (ICS) Training
IMT > REOC (*REOC*)
- 12 – Debris Planning Meeting 1PM (*REOC*)
- 12 – Recovery Task Force Meeting – PDA 9AM (*REOC*)
- 14 – Civil Air Patrol SAREX (*Reno*)

February 2017

- 7-9 – WebEOC Training (*REOC*)
- 11 – Civil Air Patrol SAREX (*Reno*)
- 15 – Debris Planning Meeting 1PM (*REOC*)
- 16 – LEPC Meeting (*REOC*)
- 21 – Northern Nevada Pharmaceutical Resource Plan TTX
(*REOC*)

March 2017

- 8 – Debris Planning Table Top 1PM (*REOC*)
- 11 – Civil Air Patrol SAREX (*Reno*)
- 14 – Disaster Behavioral Health TTX (*REOC*)
- 15 – PREPARE Washoe Meeting (*REOC*)
- 21 – Recovery Task Force Meeting (*Las Vegas, NV*)
- 22 – NWS Social Media (Flood/ Fire) TTX (*REOC*)
- 28 – CBRNE Precautions TTX – RPD & WCHD (*TBD*)

April 2017

- 4-5 – NTSB Friends/ Relative Center Training (*REOC*)
- 5 – School District Attack Lockdown Exercise (*REOC*)
- 15 – Civil Air Patrol SAREX (*Reno*)
- 20 – LEPC Meeting (*REOC*)

May 2017

- 2 – Broken Wing Exercise (*TBD*)
- 11 – Recovery Workshop (*Las Vegas, NV*)
- 13 – Civil Air Patrol SAREX (*Reno*)

June 2017

- 8 – Recovery Workshop (*Elko*)
- 15 – LEPC Meeting (*REOC*)
- 17 – Civil Air Patrol SAREX (*Reno*)
- 21 – PREPARE Washoe Meeting (*REOC*)
- 22 – Regional Safety Preparedness Expo (*Reno*)
- 23-28 – National Sheriffs Association (*Reno Sparks
Convention Center*)

July 2017

- 12 – Recovery Workshop (*REOC*)
- 15 – Civil Air Patrol SAREX (*Reno*)

August 2017

- 2 – Balloon Race Exercise (*REOC*)
- 17 – LEPC Meeting (*REOC*)
- 19 – Civil Air Patrol SAREX (*Reno*)
- 23 – Air Race Exercise (*REOC*)

September 2017

- 13 – Final Recovery Wrap – Up Meeting (*REOC*)
- 19 – Extended Power Outage Incident Exercise (*REOC*)
- 20 – PREPARE Washoe Meeting (*REOC*)

October 2017

- 2-5 – Fire Shows West (*Reno*)
- 14 – Civil Air Patrol SAREX (*Reno*)
- 19 – LEPC (*REOC*)
- 19 – Great Nevada Shake Out (*Statewide*)
- 26 – Airport Active Shooter Tabletop Exercise (*Airport FD*)

November 2017

- 18 – Civil Air Patrol SAREX (*Reno*)
- TBD – Sparks Annual EOC Exercise (*Sparks*)

December 2017

- 9 – Civil Air Patrol SAREX (*Reno*)

7. * UPDATE FROM THE RADIOLOGICAL TASK FORCE – *A briefing on current radiological issues within the region.*

Scott Alquist noted that a majority of the Rad Watches had been assigned and the he will move forward with the assignment of the remaining watches after the first of the year.

8. * UPDATE OF CITIZEN CORPS – *A briefing on events and activities supported by the Washoe County Citizen Corps including, but not limited to, Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT).*

Shirlee Rhodes noted that after an extreme busy summer of activities things have calmed down. Ms. Rhodes explained that volunteers had assisted with the annual dinner and buffet and the Shop with the Sheriff's program as well as volunteers working in the Verdi area providing flood assistance. Additionally, CERT volunteers will help with the Christmas buffet at the Washoe County Sheriff's Office and prepare for incoming weather conditions that may result in some area flooding.

9. * LEPC PRESENTATION – *Amateur Radio Presentation*

Bob Miller - ARES, narrated a PowerPoint presentation (<http://www.washoelepc.com/presentations/ARES-LEPC-12.15.16.pdf>) on the history and use of amateur radio operators during wildfire and other natural and manmade disasters when other forms of communications are overwhelmed or rendered inoperable by the disaster. Mr. Miller then drew attention to FCC Part 97.1 and pointed out that there are more than 700,000 amateur radio operators nationwide and provides assistance during floods, earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes and other disasters. Mr. Miller outlined other activities including the Sky Warn program that assists in saving lives noting that 60 hospitals in the State of Nevada have amateur radios on site and that there are 17 bands of frequencies that can be used. There are ±499 repeaters in Nevada and Northeastern California. Ham radio testing is conducted four times per year with a refresher test offered annually for amateur radio operators. Additional information can be found at www.wcares.us or www.arrl.org.

10. * LEPC CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/ITEMS AND SELECTION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS – *No discussion among committee members will take place on this item. The next regular meeting is scheduled at 9:00 a.m. February 16, 2017.*

Aaron Kenneston noted that the next LEPC meeting will review and take action on the grant application recommendations made by the Grants and Finance Subcommittee meeting on January 12, 2017

11. * PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

12. * ADJOURNMENT

Vice-chair Alquist adjourned the meeting at 9:47 a.m.