

**Kenai Peninsula Borough
Minutes – Local Emergency Planning Committee**

January 31, 2007 – 9:00 a.m.

KPB Emergency Response Center

Soldotna, AK

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

Present at Meeting:

Doug Newbould, USF&WS	Richard Whetsell, AKVOAD
Jerry McGarry, ConocoPhillips	Steve Catalano, CIRCAC
Barb Beeman, MAPTS	Ron Rogalsky, Public
Thomas Strother, ConocoPhillips	Debbie Standefer, CPHC
Rick Warren, Agrium KNO	Mike Tauriainen, Public
Teresa Ferguson, CPH	Mary Jane Hanley, Kenai Public Health
Bonnie Hanson, KPB OEM	Scott Walden, KPB OEM

REPORTS AND INFORMATION

Walden reported that Dispatch is nearly 100% moved into the new building.

The Borough received \$80,000 for rewriting Emergency Response Plans. Three-quarters of that will be dispersed to the cities for their plans.

An After Action Review for the Mass Dispensing Exercise held in November will be held February 13th.

Written Citizen Corps update included in packet.

A Street Addressing Officer has been hired. He will work to improve the 911 database, and it's possible the Borough will take over the database management from ACS.

The Northern Edge Alaska Shield anti-terrorism exercise will be part of a nation-wide event and will be held in May.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

None opposed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 20, 2006

Ferguson motioned and Beeman seconded to approve the minutes. None opposed.

OTHER BUSINESS

VOAD

Richard Whetsell introduced himself as the Chair of the Alaska Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (AKVOAD).

VOAD is a national organization that includes helping from the early stages of disaster response to recovery.

It was agreed that the VOAD should be incorporated into the Emergency Response Plan and that more coordination should occur.

PETS Act

Tim Colbath was unable to attend.

Emergency Warning (Message) Signs

Warren reported that emergency warning signs are being considered for the industrial area in Nikiski. The signs would be similar to what is currently in place for avalanche warnings in other areas. Warren would welcome any ideas from the LEPC members.

Mass Immunization Exercise

The exercise took place on November 17th. Approximately 800 people were vaccinated. Tents were set up outside the Soldotna Sports Center, and the Kenai Armory held vaccinations indoors. The exercise went well, however the cold weather did cause some problems.

MEETING SCHEDULE

A draft meeting schedule for 2007 will be presented at the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards (PETS) Act has passed.

Rogalsky will go to the Alaska Extended Life Animal Sanctuary to speak to Tim Colbath.

ADJOURNMENT

Beeman motioned and Ferguson seconded to adjourn. There being no objection the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.