

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

April 28, 2008 – 9:00 a.m.

KPB Emergency Response Center

Soldotna, AK

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions took place.

Present at meeting:

Jane Schultz, KPEMSC  
Peter Mlynarik, AST  
John Lucking, Soldotna PD  
MJ Loveland, Visitor  
Ron Rogalsky, Public  
Jerry McGarry, ConocoPhillips  
Victoria Askin, CISPRI  
Glenda Landua, KPB OEM/CCP  
Adrian Avey, DHS&EM  
Bonnie Hanson, KPB OEM

David Squires, Seward PD  
Dane Gilmore, AST  
Vinnie Catalano, Cook Inlet RCAC  
Doug Newbould, USFWS  
Debbie Standefer, CPHC  
Kim Coreson, Public  
Chris Merritt, Tesoro  
Scott Walden, KPB OEM  
Mary Jane Hanley, SOA Public Health

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

No changes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 23, 2008

Approved with unanimous consent.

REPORTS AND INFORMATION

OEM Update

100 feet of flood barricades have been prepositioned in Seward. An additional 300 feet is being purchased.

Walden has been in contact with the National Weather Service. The snow pack is average with the exception of Seward, which is at approximately 150% above average.

Mitigation work is being planned with the Seward / Bear Creek Flood Service Area.

The 911 system upgrade is nearing completion with a switchover date scheduled for May 22<sup>nd</sup>, which is several months ahead of schedule. The upgrade will result in significant savings. The Borough is now the database aggregator.

Tesoro is going to be transporting large quantities of powdered sulfur from Nikiski to Homer. Problems aren't anticipated.

### Citizen Corps Update

A CERT class was held in Kenai in January resulting in 20 new CERT members.

A pilot Teen CERT program was conducted as a result of Mackenzie Senn's *Caring For The Kenai* project. McKenzie earned 4<sup>th</sup> place among 500 entries.

Stephen Stringham presented a second Bear Safety class with 30-40 people in attendance.

There was participation at the Kenai Peninsula College Health Fair and the Central Peninsula Hospital Village Fair. A presentation was made to the Soldotna LDS Women's Relief Church Group.

The Western Community Policing Institute will hold a two-day workshop - *Creating Vigilant, Prepared, and Resilient Communities for Homeland Security* - on May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. 34 people have signed up so far.

September is National Preparedness Month. The Citizen Corps Council is working on ideas.

### Siren System

Fourteen new all hazard warning sirens have been placed in the coastal communities of Homer, Seward, Seldovia, Nanwalek and Port Graham. The existing sirens are still functional but will not be maintained.

### Agrium Kenai Nitrogen Operations

Rick Warren was not in attendance.

### NIMSCAST

Adrian Avey introduced herself. She works in grants administration with Michelle Heun at DHS&EM.

NIMSCAST is an online program to help jurisdictions maintain their compliance with NIMS. NIMS compliance affects Homeland Security Grants more than it

does LEPC funding, however LEPC members are encouraged to complete the ICS 700 and IS 100 courses.

### OTHER BUSINESS

#### Borough-wide ALMR Line-up

The ALMR system continues to have problems. Fire and EMS can't talk to Law Enforcement. Coverage in Nikiski is poor which is a problem for both responders and industry. Coverage is mainly in the transportation corridor which does not work for wildland fires. Also the cost of the portable radios is very high.

### MEETING SCHEDULE

No change.

### ADJOURNMENT

Gilmore motioned and Hanley seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.