

July 23, 2008 – 9:00 a.m. KPB Emergency Response Center Soldotna, AK

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions took place.

Present at meeting:

Michelle Hartline, ARC	Richard Whetsell, AKVOAD
Jane Schultz, KPEMSC	Regina Theisen, Kenai Public Health
Glenda Landua, KPB OEM/CCP	Doug Newbould, USFWS
Billy W. Harris, Public	Ron Rogalsky, Public
Wayne Armstrong, CES	James Truesdell, AST
Dane Gilmore, AST	Bonnie Hanson, KPB OEM

REPORTS AND INFORMATION

OEM Update

OEM is working with the National Weather Service on their *Storm Ready* Program. The *Tsunami Ready* Program already exists in Homer and Seward.

More weather monitoring platforms, and possibly cameras, are being considered.

There are problems in Seward related to the high water caused by gravel deposits since 2006. There are a couple of homes that are no longer habitable and some businesses are suffering. A buyout program is being considered.

The new 911 system has been online for over a month. There have been only minor issues related to the switchover.

The new siren system has been installed. They are currently activated by the National Weather Service. They will be tied into dispatch soon. Two portable sirens are being fabricated. The plan is to position one in Halibut Cove, and have one available to be moved as needed.

Walden is expecting significant problems in Seward in the fall.

Approval of Agenda

The OEM Update had been moved to the front of the agenda. Rogalsky motioned and Newbould seconded to approve the remainder of the agenda. None opposed.

Approval of Minutes – April 28, 2008

Rogalsky motioned and Newbould seconded to approve the minutes of April 28, 2008. None opposed.

Citizen Corps Update

Landua reported that she did a presentation at the Homer Rotary and then met with the Anchor Point CERTs in early June.

Annette Hakkinen has resigned from the council. New members are Paula Martin, Jackie Stringham and Varvara Larsen.

September is National Preparedness Month. Ideas are welcome. A 24 week series on preparedness is being printed in the Clarion which has generated some interest. The Kenai United Methodist church is preparing 50 kits and is looking for donations.

CERT and Fire Corps training is being scheduled.

Membership

Mary Jane Hanley has retired and has submitted her LEPC resignation. She is interested in continuing as a public member.

Theisen said that Public Health has just hired a new SouthCentral Manager who should probably be the primary LEPC member.

Gilmore motioned and Truesdell seconded to accept Theisen's application as an alternate for Public Health. None opposed.

Rogalsky motioned and Schultz seconded to change Lynden's transportation seat to public and accept Hanley's application as a public member. None opposed.

A seat will be made available for the American Red Cross.

Annual Election

Gilmore motioned and Theisen seconded to elect Harris as Chair and Rogalsky as Vice-Chair. None opposed.

Other Business

The LEPC needs to have representation at the LEPCA meeting in Fairbanks in September.

The Ninilchik Fair is being held in August and volunteers are needed to man the LEPC booth.

Meeting Schedule

No changes.

Adjournment

Theisen motioned and Newbould seconded to adjourn. None opposed.