

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

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions took place. Present at meeting:

Jim Lackey, Carlisle Enterprises
Victoria Askin, CISPRI
Annette Hakkinen, American Red Cross
Barb Beeman, MAPTS
Warren Isham, Nikiski FD
Bob Painter, Homer FD
Alan Thye, CPGH
Pete Petram, Alaska Native Tribal
Health Consortium

Steve “Vinnie” Catalano, CIRCAC
Deb German, KPB Assembly
Ron Rogalsky, Public
Mary Jane Hanley, SOA Public Health
Sue Hecks, KPEMS / SOS
Billy Harris, Public
Rick Warren, Agrium KNP

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Harris motioned and Askin seconded to move 5.C. Membership to the beginning of the agenda. There were none opposed.

Hecks motioned and Harris seconded to approve the agenda as amended. There were none opposed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 7, 2005

Beeman noted that she was in attendance at the last meeting. The minutes were approved as amended with none opposed.

Membership

The applications for Scott Walden, Malcolm Brown, Kirsten Vesel and Steven Catalano were unanimously approved.

REPORTS AND INFORMATION

Emergency Management Coordinator’s Report

Walden stated that a mutual aid agreement between the cities and the Borough has been finalized.

The portable radios have been received and distributed. The mobile radios are still being installed.

The Alaska Land Mobile Radio (ALMR) buildout has begun and should be completed this summer. A letter has been sent to the Governor requesting that there be no subscriber fees; the smaller communities would never be able to afford to pay for ALMR.

The Borough has received grant funding for updating the emergency response plans, and for training.

Two committees were formed:

Planning

Victoria Askin
Vinnie Catalano

Training

Mary Jane Hanley
Vinnie Catalano
Sue Hecks

Citizen Corps Coordinator's Report

A CERT Train The Trainer course was held in Soldotna at the end of February. Twenty instructors were trained, fourteen from the Borough.

Anchor Point has a CERT class in progress.

Fire Corps info has been distributed and a presentation will be given on April 15th at the Kenai River Center with Doug Newbould and Sharon Roesch. The Fire Corps program is similar to FireWise in that it educates homeowners on what they can do to protect their property.

Landua is working with Spruce Bark Beetle and the Division of Forestry in preparing radio PSA's on wildfire prevention and preparedness which will hopefully run late March through April.

The Alaska Fire Chief's Association has agreed to fund the printing of *James and the Volcano*, the third book in Hannah Watkin's series. The Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and ConocoPhillips are providing funding for additional copies of *James and the Volcano*, and for the reprinting of *Heidi and the Tsunami* and *Molly and the Earthquake*. The fourth book, *Spencer and the Wildfire* is in draft form and has not been illustrated yet. Hannah recently won a national credential spirit contest for her work.

Landua is going to try to set up CERT get-togethers to discuss team building and additional training and is hoping that the LEPC can provide refreshments, as it

can not be reimbursed through the Citizen Corps grant. Harris motioned and Beeman seconded to approve \$250 for refreshments. There were none opposed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Pete Petram is scheduling a Pandemic Flu Workshop. It will be a two or three day workshop and travel will be funded by the State.

Warren referred to the new CDC web site regarding pandemic flu.

Lackey conducted a PowerPoint presentation about Carlile Enterprises.

ADJOURNMENT

Harris motioned and Beeman seconded to adjourn. There were none opposed and the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.