

1 City of Yachats
2 **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE**
3 June 7, 2018

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5 Draft Minutes
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7 Chair Marc Courtenay called the June 7, 2018 quarterly meeting of the Emergency
8 Preparedness Committee at 3:02 pm in Room 1 of the Yachats Commons. Members
9 present: Marc Courtenay, Larry Nixon, Don Groth, and Joan Davies. Absent: Tracey
10 Crews and Bob Bennett. Staff Present: Clerk Judy Richter, Water Treatment Plant
11 Lead Rick McClung. Others Present: Councilor Max Glenn. Audience: ?.

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13 **I. Minutes – May 3, 2018**

14 Larry Nixon moved to adopt the May 3, 2018 minutes as presented: No objections.
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17 **II. Public Comment**

18 McClung reported Public Works recently painted the blue line Tsunami Zone marks on
19 evacuation streets and has received complaints from residents, one being that it would
20 decrease their property value. McClung noted they needed to complete the work by
21 June 15, 2018. Glenn indicated he would give Council a progress report at their next
22 meeting. McClung reviewed what needed to be completed. McClung reported the work
23 by the crew did excellent work in their first experience with the torching process.
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25 **Reports**

26 **A. Emergency Operations Plan Update**

27 Previously reviewed.
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29 **IV. Business**

30 **A. Discussion: Tsunami Walk Planning**

31 Courtenay summarized Demaris' press report. The Committee discussed the Highway
32 crossing process and who would be involved. McClung noted they previously recorded
33 how many people crossed and how many of those brought their "Go Bag." Lynda Engle
34 indicated there would be between 8-10 CERT people. The Committee discussed
35 preparations. Davies noted there are ten routes starting at King going down to
36 Crestview. Engle reported Demaris indicated she could pull some CERT people from
37 other communities. Courtenay asked everyone to be at the Commons front door at 9:30
38 am. Davies indicated she was getting copies of the evacuation route map. Engle
39 added Demaris indicated there would be reader boards on both ends of the Highway
40 and Oregon State Police, Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, and ODOT would be present.
41 Demaris wanted CERT people to bring their radios. Courtenay was not certain of where
42 the command center would be. Courtenay asked Engle to check with Demaris on
43 further needs and to send that information to him.
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45 Glenn asked what was being done as part of the "Seafood Celebration." Davies
46 indicated they downplayed this component, as they did not have funding or the time to
47 develop it more. Courtenay suggested each restaurant could have a special seafood

1 dish. Courtenay asked Davies to communicate to restaurants their desire to have a
2 seafood special. Engle clarified the workers should encourage walkers to go the
3 restaurants for a seafood lunch. Courtenay added that Demaris wants Yachats to have
4 this event annually.

5 6 **B. New Member Application – James Sanders**

7 Courtenay indicated he had not had the time to give Sanders the application.
8 Courtenay asked Sanders about his interest in the Committee. Sanders reported he
9 has been involved in disaster relief, especially in mass feeding. He was trained and
10 certified as a disaster relief chaplain. He has some experience in fire cleanup. He
11 helped with cleanup work after Katrina and Harvey in Beaumont, Texas. He will be
12 getting Crisis Intervention and Stress Management training in two weeks, a program for
13 emergency responders.

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15 Courtenay moved to accept John Sanders as a member to the Committee. Glenn noted
16 the Council would be meeting on June 13, 2018 where Council could officially appoint
17 Sanders. Courtenay indicated he would inform Kimmie Jackson that Sanders would be
18 bringing her his application.

19 20 **C. Map Your Neighborhood – Lynda Engle**

21 Courtenay introduced Lynda Engle to talk about the Map Your Neighborhood program.
22 Courtenay stressed the potential dangers of wildfires.

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24 Engle explained the program, highlighting the importance of neighbors helping
25 neighbors, especially when first responders were not available. She reported during
26 Katrina, the areas that rebounded quickest were the ones where neighbors helped each
27 other. Engle indicated she learned about this program during her CERT training in Seal
28 Rock. She noted the program helps identify the resources each neighbor has through a
29 nine-step process. Engle presented the materials available through herself, Jenny
30 Demaris, and websites, including a DVD. Glenn noted City Planner Lewis had
31 developed neighborhood maps, which might be useful in this process.

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33 Courtenay suggested September as a month for this workshop. Davies suggested they
34 could have an event in late July. Groth added July could accommodate more seasonal
35 residents. Courtenay proposed Monday, July 23, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

36 37 **V. Other Business**

38 **A. From the Committee**

39 Groth asked if there was discussion on the logistics regarding alerts with wildfires.
40 Courtenay indicated they stressed the Lincoln County Alert system. Sanders added
41 that they suggested establishing volunteers who could go door-to-door to notify
42 residents.

43 44 **B. From Staff – none**

45 46 **C. From the Floor**

1 Lassie Cullen asked about maintenance of the emergency containers on the hillsides.
2 McClung explained the contents and confirmed there would be a water spigot on the
3 new South Tank.

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5 Courtenay adjourned at the meeting at 4:06 pm.
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13 Marc Courtenay, Chair

Date

14 Minutes prepared by H H Anderson on July 11, 2018