

Peninsula Emergency Preparedness Coalition
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Minutes for - Wednesday June 1, 2016
10:00 General Meeting
Location: District 5 Fire & Medic One, at
10222 Bujacich Road NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98332

PEP-C Meeting / Attendees:

Abby Schofield – Board Member, FICRA/ Treasurer
Bob Grimes – Board Member, regusa@msn.com
Cherie Grimes – crgusa@msn.com
Curt Scott – Board Member, Chairman
Dave Allen – Board Member, MRC
Don Lee – Chapel Hill
Hugh McMillan – The Peninsula Gateway
Jane Olive – West Bridge Neighborhood
Joan Hymas – Board Member, St. V DePaul, etc
Virginia Guilford – co-Secretary

Next Meeting:
September 14, 2016
General Meeting: 10:00 a.m.
Location: District 5 Fire & Medic One, at
10222 Bujacich Road NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98332
Conference Room – follow the signs

10:00 General Meeting called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was said,

- **The minutes from the previous meeting were read.** A motion was made to accept the minutes as written from June 1, 2016, seconded and accepted by all in attendance.

- **The Treasurer's report was given:**

Beginning Balance	\$1267.62
2 Water barrels sold	70.00
Ending Balance	\$1337.62

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report as reported, seconded, and accepted by all in attendance.

- **Welcome from the new chairman, Curt Scott.** Curt said that he wanted to increase communication. He wants PEP-C to describe our disaster risks as likely, without making them seem too scary to think about. He wants our organization to emphasize that preparation is possible and practical. Members mentioned that the booklet "How to get ready in a year" and the Pierce County "Bucket List" pamphlet are good for this purpose. Curt also was interested in publicizing the existing efforts – such as the ham radio group ARES and the local radio station KGHP. This will reassure people about the good work that is currently being done, and at the same time, it can inform them so that they will know whom to turn to for help in an emergency.
- **PEP-C will be participating in the following Preparedness Fairs**
 - **National Night Out – Aug 2, 2PM – 8PM, Civic Center, Gig Harbor –** PEP-C will have a tent with a sno-cone machine, sample water barrels, and printed material, including copies of the new PEP-C Newsletter. A sign-up sheet was passed around to assure that the booth will be manned in staggered, 2-hour shifts throughout the event. Don Lee will open the event, setting up the tent and the sno-cone machine.
 - **FICRA Fair on Fox Island – Aug 13, 11AM – 6:00PM, Nichols Community Center –** PEP-C will have a booth near the entrance to the Fair. Sample water barrels and printed materials will be available. A sign-up sheet was passed around to assure that the booth will be manned in staggered, 2-hour shifts throughout the event
- **A new PEP-C newsletter format was approved.** Virginia Guilford displayed 3 sample newsletters, and the members unanimously agreed on the option with a photo of the mountain as the banner. (Virginia has obtained a photo release from Sara Levine, the photographer, for the use of this photo on newsletters and in other materials.) The newsletters will be redone using the selected format, and the summer newsletter will be duplicated so that it can be passed out at the National Night Out event and at the FICRA Fair. A motion was made to accept the format with the photo border, seconded and accepted by all in attendance.
- **Social Media accounts for PEP-C will be established.** Virginia Guilford will set up Facebook and Twitter accounts. These social media accounts will contain similar information to that covered in the newsletters, with emphasis on PEP-C calendar events, such as meetings and appearances at fairs, as well as preparedness tips, and contact information. A motion was made to establish social media accounts, seconded and accepted by all in attendance.

- **PC-Net Organization and Training was discussed.** Abby Schofield discussed the Fox Island Organization's efforts, and Bob & Cheri Grimes discussed the beginnings of their work in the Canterwood neighborhood. And Jane Olive from West Bridge described what their neighborhood was doing. Both Canterwood and West Bridge need PC-Net training, and they were directed to contact Peggy LovellFord from the Pierce County Department of Emergency Management (DEM) for this. However, it was noted that DEM has limited staff to do training, and trained individuals from PEP-C may need to help with training. PEP-C's Ronnie White and Don Lee are PC-Net trainers
- **Approval was made for the following expenditure of funds**
 - Whistles (PEP-C branded) to give away at events \$500
 - Newsletter copying (PenLight may print for us) \$220
 - Sno-Cone machine & supplies \$260

A motion was made to accept the expenditures as shown above, seconded and accepted by all in attendance.

- **Publicity for PEP-C events** Discussion was made of various ways that PEP-C events and activities could be publicized.
 - Hugh McMillan – photography & articles for Gateway
 - Rick Hallack – Gig Harbor Life Events Calendar
 - Talk of the Town Gig Harbor
- **Grants** The possibility of grants for additional funding will be looked into. Don Lee mentioned that Chapel Hill has gotten a grant to install an emergency generator for their shelter.

11:30 General Meeting was adjourned. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded and accepted by all in attendance.

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