

MINUTES

City of Pacifica
Emergency Preparedness & Safety Commission
Pacifica Police Department Conference Room
2075 Coast Highway
Pacifica, CA 94044

DATE: Wednesday, May 16, 2012

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 1800 hrs.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Balestreri, Erbacher, Chiechi, Johnson, Salisbury

Commissioners Absent: Blackburn

Ex Officio Members Present: Stone, Mahaley

Ex Officio Members Absent: Schultz, Wisell, Goodman

STAFF PRESENT: geant Londerville

APPROVAL

OF MINUTES: The minutes for the March 21, 2012 meeting were approved with a correction noted under Commission Comments.

APPROVAL

OF AGENDA: The agenda for the April 18, 2012 meeting was approved.

COMMISSION COMMENTS:

Commissioner Balestreri requested a correction was needed to the minutes from March 21, 2012. The minutes from March 21, 2012 incorrectly identified him as commenting about the Nevada disaster drill when it was actually Commissioner Blackburn. Correction will be made to the minutes.

Commissioner Chiechi reported that the Hill Top Mall will be conducting an evacuation disaster drill on 4-19-2012.

EX-OFFICIO COMMENTS:

Ex-Officio Member Mahaley reported that there will be a county-wide emergency operations center exercise on May 24, 2012 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. The final planning meeting was held on 4-18-2012 and the City of Pacifica will be participating in the event. The City of Burlingame will be sponsoring an emergency volunteer center where training will be provided on how to operate and process people who volunteer to help at emergency scenes. The location will be the Burlingame Golf Center. Two emergency shelters will be open as part of the exercise. One will be at Seton Coast Side in Half Moon Bay and the other in Pacifica at the Community Center.

Ex-Officio Member Mahaley advised that May 15, 2013 will be the date for the Bay Area "Golden Guardian" exercise.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Captain Realyvasquez reported that on 4-20-12 he attended a meeting with PG&E in San Carlos. Discussion centered on pipelines and basic safety procedures.

Captain Realyvasquez is working on changes and updates to the Tsunami Ready Plan for the City of Pacifica since the outsourcing of communications for the police department to South San Francisco. The South San Francisco dispatchers were trained on National Weather Service policy and procedures and how to interpret tsunami warnings that are issued.

Captain Realyvasquez attended a meeting on 4-23-12 put on by the San Mateo County Sheriff's Department OES. It was a round table discussion on what are the needs of each city in regards to emergency planning. Several items were identified for further discussion.

Captain Realyvasquez will be attending the Emergency Services Council meeting in Redwood City on 4-25-12.

Captain Realyvasquez provided information to the Commission on the City of Pacifica's involvement in the upcoming exercise on 5-24-12. The scenario is based on an earthquake on the Hayward fault eight hours ago. The focus of the exercise is on sheltering and communications. The City of Pacifica will have a partial activation of the EOC and will be setting up an Emergency Shelter at the Community Center.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The City of Pacifica Emergency Preparedness & Safety Commission continued open discussions concerning the City of Pacifica's Financial Task Force findings and recommendations to the City of Pacifica City Council concerning budgetary issues and the impact it would have for disaster preparedness.

The main points of concern were discussed in greater detail:

- 1: Accessibility and use of current police building and EOC.
- 2: Familiarity with City of Pacifica by first responders.
- 3: Local control over current resources. Who will make decisions in future regarding staffing and resources during an emergency?
- 4: Issues surrounding how the City of Pacifica is isolated from the rest of county.
- 5: Effects of budget reductions on preparation, planning and response to disasters or emergencies.
- 6: CERT program. Who will oversee the program?
- 7: Emergency Preparedness Commission's working relationship with current PD.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Balestreri proposed the idea that the Emergency Preparedness & Safety Commission considers creating a volunteer/intern position within the commission for a high school level student who is interested in being exposed to city government and commission operations.

OTHER: None

ADJOURNMENT: 1900