

City of Clayton Citizen Corps Council (C-5) Meeting Minutes: April 4, 2011

MINUTES:

Members in attendance: Herb Yonge, Rich Veal, John Hunter, Sue Elliott, Susan Dell'Isola, Lynn Christ, Rich McEachin

Members absent: Joan Manning, Leif Johansson, Harun Simbirdi, Howard Geller

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:07 PM by Chair, Herb Yonge.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the February 7, 2010 meeting were approved as emailed. The minutes can be viewed on the Clayton CERT website.

Treasury Report: Balance as of 4/4/11 is \$1115.84.

SECTION REPORTS

Operations – Rich Veal:

Status of Communication Network: Rich's goal is to become certified & associated with the RACES organization which is run by the Sherriff's Department. Rich, Bill Kinsey & Paul Turney and others have their Ham licenses.

CERT needs access to gate to maintenance yard for communications trailer.

Radio Communications Update: Rich is seeking assistance from experienced HAM's in purchasing the proper equipment to complete the City of Clayton's emergency radio communications equipment.

FEMA New Training Materials: 3/29 webinar covered the updated material. Clayton CERT instructors decided to use current books due to the short timeframe to make a switch for this class. The new material/changes may not be pertinent to CERT training. Rich's opinion is to continue using our current books for now. Susan suggested meeting over the summer to review the material together.

FRS status up-date: The check-in is working. Members may need instruction on a process to assist in keeping order during the check-in.

Clayton CERT FB: Rich suggested we create a FB page for people to 'friend'. This is different than the FB Group that Pat created where you click on the group versus getting a post on your wall. Rich will cover in the Spring class. We can put the information in the CERT monthly email.

Logistics - Harun: Absent

Planning - Susan:

Library presentation on 3/23/11 went well with 11 in attendance. There were a lot of questions & answers with good discussion. Three of the people in attendance have signed up for the class starting on April 6.

May 21 drill planning to start soon. Rich & Sue will check availability for Dana Hills Cabana and Endeavor Hall.

Administration - Sue: No updates.

OLD BUSINESS

Spring Class:

13 are signed-up for class.

Rich: ConFire & Bullex: Marybeth Paris advised that we can pick up the Bullex and use it without her presence for the fire suppression class.

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Emergency Operation Plan (EOP) – Rich McEachin: Work is progressing. Rich to determine how CERT will be activated and have it included in the plan.

NEW BUSINESS

News Articles & Review: All questions regarding newspaper articles should be referred to Herb to ensure accuracy.

Clayton Cleans-Up: Scheduled for 4/16 9-1 PM. Susan will manage the CERT table.

Summer class: We will consider a summer class to accommodate those that can not attend during the school year and to take advantage of the Farmer's Market to recruit. We can consider a different schedule to best suit attendees; e.g. Saturday classes, etc. We would try to include the teachers at Mt. Diablo Elementary and Diablo View Middle School.

4th of July: Laci Jackson, City, requested help with parking as a non-CERT event. Sue will add this request to the April member email.

C-8 Update: Depiction software, that uses real time mapping techniques, will enhance a more effective deployment of our resources during a real event. Rich suggests that the PD purchase the software for shared use.

Mt Diablo Elementary School: Herb, Sue & Rich met with the principal & teachers for an initial discussion on earthquake preparedness. Herb suggested that they join with other schools for an abbreviated course. The discussion went well. Rich will work with the principal on next steps with a possible class in the summer.

CERT business cards: Lynn - Available for our use.

Government channel (Comcast): Lynn – Laci Jackson will post information on CERT & disaster preparedness.

Clayton Fire: Harun Simbirdi assisted the city with traffic as a CERT member during the fire emergency.

NEXT MEETING – June 6, 2011 5PM @ City Hall

Respectfully submitted by Sue Elliott