

Coastside Emergency Corps Board Meeting Minutes July 15, 2020 6:00 p.m.

Presiding: Michael Akana, President

In Attendance:

April Loui - Secretary
Paul Feldman – Treasurer and Newsletter Editor
Harvey Rarback – Board Member
Chris Orman – Advisory Committee, Red Cross
Corie Stocker – City of Half Moon Bay, Management Analyst

Absent:

Kris Thoren – Vice President Vic Froelicher – Board Member

Meeting called to order at 6:06 pm via Zoom

February 2020 Board Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve Feb. 2020 meeting minutes by P. Feldman, second by H. Rarback. Minutes approved.
- July 2020 Meeting Minutes will be circulated via email for review and approval at the next board meeting

COVID-19 Status

- C. Stocker provided Covid-19 updates on behalf of the City of Half Moon Bay. City and council meetings are held virtually via Zoom and staff continue to work from home to ensure business continuity.
- Reducing crowds and risk of viral transmission by closing coastside beaches during the 4th of July weekend was successful.
- City of HMB is maintaining weekly calls with the county regarding Covid-19 status and reopening strategies.
- CERT supported the coastside COVID-19 testing program

Red Cross Update

- C. Orman provided updates regarding emergency response approach in midst of the pandemic.
 For sheltering purposes, blocks of rooms at local hotels will be used in lieu of gymnasiums and cots. A list of hotels that would be available 24/7 is being generated.
- Discussions are in progress to address power outages/fires during the ongoing shelter in place.

Involvement in Standing Committees

- MRC has put everything on hold for now
- C. Orman provided open invitation for volunteers for the American Red Cross
- For August 2020 meeting, the Board would like to expand involvement of the Standing Committees
- A.Loui inquired if there is any additional need for City Volunteers at this time. C. Stocker advised there is no immediate need but will advise if need arises.

Planned Power Outages

- C.Stocker provided the city update, indicating that PSPS and PG and E are meeting weekly
- Increased attention has been placed on better power outage preparation and tree trimming procedures
- There may be an option to "opt out" of power outages, but households must apply for consideration. There are legal concerns with this option.
- Teams are working towards shorter re-energizing times, such as <24 hours instead of <72 hours.
- The Half Moon Bay library will be a community resource during power outages.

Old/New Business

- M. Akana proposed new meeting time of 6:30pm for the next board meeting.
- **ACTION:** Board members, please advise via email to M. Akana/A.Loui if this time does not work for you

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- Board Meeting adjourned at 7:02pm

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