

Emergency Planning Council (EPC)
Thursday, December 10, 2009
Minutes

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chair Supervisor Steve Bennett called the meeting of the Ventura County Emergency Planning Council to order at 9:06 a.m., in Pacific Conference Room, HOJ County Government Center, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura.

Primary Members Present:

1. Steve Bennett, Chair and Supervisor, District 1
 - a. Kathy Long, Alternate
2. Mark Ball, Vice Chair and Undersheriff
3. Laura D. Hernandez, 2nd Vice Chair and EPC Executive Administrator
4. Bob Roper, County Fire Chief
 - a. Chief Kevin Nestor, Alternate
5. Jere Kersnar, City Manager, City of Ojai
6. Marty Robinson, Chief Executive Officer, County Executive Office
7. Chris Johnson, Chief Executive Officer, American Red Cross
8. Jeff Pratt, Director, County Public Works Agency
9. Jim McHugh, Captain, Naval Base Ventura County
10. Rick Araiza, Fire Chief, City of Santa Paula Fire Department
11. Dr. Richard Duarte, Project Coordinator, P-16 Council Ventura County
12. Elaine Martinez-Curry, Volunteer Organization Active in Disaster, Non-Government Rep
13. Bill Buratto, President/CEO, Ventura County Economic Development Agency
14. Paul Grossgold, Director, County General Services Agency
 - a. Ron VanDyke, Alternate
15. Mike Lewis, Chief of Police, Simi Valley Police Department
16. Barry Fisher, Director, County Public Health Agency
17. Ventura County Health Care Agency: Absent

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Agenda Review

On order of the Chair, motion to approve agenda. First motion to approve by Marty Robinson, CEO and 2nd by Bill Buratto, President, VCEDA.

4. Adoption of Minutes from August 06, 2009 Meeting

On order of the Chair, there being no further objection, motion to approve minutes of August 06, 2009 be approved. First motion to approve made by Marty Robinson, CEO and 2nd by Bill Buratto, President, and VCEDA.

5. Public Comment

No Public Comment

6. Council Comments

Supervisor Bennett – Goals and Objectives for the 2010 Emergency Planning Council

- Supervisor Long is the 2010 EPC Chair and will be in charge of selecting a 2010 Public Education theme for EPC

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- Chief Bob Roper, VCFD – the CERT Refresher training in Camarillo last month was very well attended by 160 CERT Members and over 90 Volunteers.
- Barry Fisher, VCPHA – provided update on H1N1:
- Bill Buratto, President, VCEDA – wants to set goal in 2010 to engage businesses.
- Supervisor Kathy Long – the 10th Anniversary of Alaska 261 is to take place on January 31, 2010. Families are planning a 3-day memorial.
- Elaine Martinez-Curry, VOAD – The Southern California VOAD Committee is having a tabletop exercise on H1N1 during their January 2010 Summit.
- Undersheriff Mark Ball – gave special thanks to Barry Fisher for all his work on the H1N1 outreach to the Sheriff's Department and . The Undersheriff also acknowledged Supervisor Bennett for chairing the EPC in 2009 noting that a lot has been accomplished in over the past year.

7. Consent Items

Receive and file R-911 Status Report. It was recommended that this report be filed at the next meeting in January.

A motion to approve was submitted by Marty Robinson, CEO and 2nd by Bob Roper, Fire Chief, VCFD.

8. Committee Reports

- a. Glenn Sander, Commander, VCSD, and Chris Johnson, CEO, ARC, requested that the EPC approve and accept for Review and Comment Draft of Three Year Strategic Plan.

On order of the Chair, being no further objection, motion to approve to accept draft.

First motion to approve by Marty Robinson, CEO and 2nd by Bill Buratto, President, VCEDA.

- b. Cynthia Elliott, OES PIO, asking the EPC to Receive and File Report from Chair of Emergency Public Information Committee.

On order of the Chair, being no further objection, motion to receive and file report from Chair of Emergency Public Information Committee.

First, motion moved by Bob Roper, Fire Chief, VCSD and 2nd by Jere Kersnar, Ojai City Manager.

- c. Chief Kevin Nestor, Plan Review Committee Member, asking EPC to:

1. Approve Animal Evacuation Plan
2. Accept Committee Report on the Status of Various Plans Submitted for Committee Review.

On order of the Chair, being no further objection, motion to approve plan and accept committee report from the Plan Review Committee. First, motion moved by Chris Johnson, CEO, ARC and 2nd by Jeff Pratt, Director, and VC PWA.

9. “Communications Work Around Plan”

Rick Jackson, CIO and Dan Richards, DCIO, Information Technology System Department. Dan gave power point presentation.

Representatives from Verizon and AT&T gave brief descriptions of their solutions to work around a communications failure if it were to happen again.

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10. Annual Emergency Planning Council Awards Presentation

Supervisor Bennett and Supervisor Long made award presentations for 2010.

11. Special Guest Presentation

Mark Sloan is the Harris County Homeland Security and Emergency Management Coordinator and gave a power point presentation. Handouts and biography for Mr. Sloan were provided. Any further information needed please contact Laura Hernandez at (805) 654-2551 or Laura.Hernandez@ventura.org.

12. Information Items

There is no comment under Information Items.

13. Adjourn

The next meeting will be held at 0900 Hours, January 14, 2010 in the Pacific Conference Room in the Hall of Justice, 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009. Agenda items and committee reports for the next meeting are due to Sheriff's OES by COB January 4, 2010.