



**FAIRFAX COUNTY CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes for March 24, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by Courtney Arroyo, at 6:48 PM.

- James Sobecke, Chair, was not present and Jim Kirkpatrick, Vice Chair, was delayed.
- The meeting was held by virtually via ZOOM and telephone.
- A quorum were present with 24 members or alternates present virtually.

New Business

• DEMS (Department of Emergency Management and Security) Updates Courtney Arroyo

- The District Representatives are reminded to pick up their boxes of DEMS documents and deliver to the district offices.
- Citizen Corps Council Website:
 - The Council website, hosted on the DEMS site is operational. The website is located at: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/emergencymanagement/citizen-corps-council>. The information on the site continues to grow and includes: basic information on the council, links to government core organizations, a calendar of events and council archives. Member programs are encouraged to post their events on the site. Links to non-governmental sites are not allowed by county rules.
- Citizen Corps Council Presentations
 - The District Representatives need to speak to their district staff concerning the wish for a presentation on the Council to the staffs.
 - Presentation materials need to use the Fairfax County seal rather than DEMS or other programs.
- Events Support
 - Should the Council have a table at community events with literature from each of the 5 core programs? How many events should be supported? Also, an issue is the table staffing. Celebrate Fairfax will not be held as in the past. Plan has not been released.

• Action Items:

- Mission Statement and Bylaws: Jim Kirkpatrick
The Mission Statement and Bylaws, with corrections and approved at the last meeting are ready to be posted. This closes the action item.

Committee Updates and Attendance

Jim Kirkpatrick

• District Updates

- At-Large
Supervisor McKay has named a representative
- Braddock – Not present, left message that he nothing to report James Sobecke
- Dranesville - Not present William McKenna
- Hunter Mill - Nothing to report Andrea McCarthy
- Lee – The bridge walk will be August Linda Waller

- Mason Marco Johnson
 Community day events continuing including possible Celebrate Mason
 Would like to present Council Briefing to Mason HOA group
- Mt. Vernon - Not present Joe Hansen
- Providence - Nothing to report Nathan Baldwin
- Springfield - Nothing to report Jim Kirkpatrick
- Sully Richard Cramond
 Met with Supervisor Smith's staff.
 More copies of the *Community Crisis Guides* were requested.
 Noted that the term for the District Representative ends in May. Most likely no
 change.

- **Core Program Updates**
 - CERT Jeff Katz
 - CERT now has funding for this and next year
 - CERT storage and office space has being added at the top of the West OX land fill hill.
 - Now moving to in person training
 - *CPR, Until Help Arrives, and Stop the Bleed* training continuing
 - Fire Corps Daniel Liebman
 - Nine students just graduated from Fire Fighter 1 & 2 and HAZMAT training. Five of them will be started as Volunteer Fire Fighters.
 - Medical Reserve Corps Megan Doran
 - MRC not involved in Covid Testing now
 - Vaccination support slowed. Only "equity" sites are supported with non-medical volunteers
 - *CPR and Until Help Arrives* training has starting
 - Neighborhood Watch Reanna Jacobsen
 - There has been a 40% increase in vehicle break-ins and theft.
 - The public needs to remember to lock their car, take the keys and do not leave valuables in sight.
 - The public needs to be reminded to report incidents to the police. The police cannot monitor "Neighbor" web sites by law.
 - Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) Marques Lowery
 - This is the last meeting for Marques, he is moving on.
 - A grant to fund VIPS for two years was received.

- **Affiliate Organizations**
 - Amateur Radio Emergency Services Mary Moon
 - Testing readiness for situations such as in Ukraine or severe weather.
 - American Red Cross Joe Lenz
 - All volunteers will be vaccinated or wear masks
 - Fire calls have been increasing
 - Shelter training will be restarted this summer
 - This Joe Lenz last meeting he will be moving on to Washington DC

 - Boy Scouts of America Vacant



- Child Life Disaster Relief Cheryl Lawrence
 - Back with in person activities
 - Have been deployed to Kentucky
- Fairfax County Council PTA Vacant
- Fairfax County Division of Adult & Aging Services Not Present
- Fairfax County Public Schools Office of Security and Safety Vacant
- Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Not Present
- Faith Communities in Action - Nothing to report Tom Lambiase
- George Mason University Not Present
- Girl Scouts Vacant
- Hope Animal-Assisted Crisis Response Not Present
- INOVA Fairfax Hospital Linda Watkins
 - Activities are opening up at the hospital. In May Stop the Bleed Training will begin.
- Northern Virginia Community College Not Present
- Northern Virginia Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Bonnie O'Leary
 - Training MRC volunteers on dealing with everybody in an emergency April.
 - Requested an overview presentation on the Citizen Corps Council.
 - They presented training session for CERT
- Northern Virginia Regional Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) Tejas Patel
- PRS – Crisis Link Not Present
- United Way Not Present
- Volunteer Fairfax Kim Luckabaugh
 - Conducting *Until Help Arrives* Training

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes of the January 27, 2022 meeting were approved by the membership without change.

Action Items:

- District Representatives pick up their boxes of DEMS documents and deliver to the district offices.

Meeting adjourned 8:20 PM

Jim Kirkpatrick

Next Meeting:

Thursday, Thursday, May 26, 2022

Meeting Location:

In Person DEMS Conference Room

And

Virtual

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83718988039>

Or Telephone: 602-333-0032 Conference code: 952942

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