**FAIRFAX COUNTY CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL**

**Meeting Minutes for May 24th, 2018**

The May 24th, 2018 meeting of the Fairfax County Citizen Corps Council was held at the Fairfax County Government Center in Conference Room 232. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sobecke at 6:45 PM with **15 members and staff present**. Matthew Marquis reviewed the Community Resiliency Groups program and its future within the Office for Emergency Management.

**Guest Speaker**

Matthew Marquis reviewed the success that the Comminute Resiliency Groups had throughout Fairfax County over the last year. The goal of these CRGs is to bring together all community organizations to assist during emergencies. The CRG program is being rebuilt and will be adopted by the OEM as soon as it is finished. In light of the Centreville Fires recently it is a perfect time to reinvigorate the program to prepare Fairfax County for such an emergency.

**Business Meeting**

A quorum was present and minutes for the March 2018 meeting were approved pending changes.

**Old Business:**

The R.S.K. subcommittee has been established and have begun to plan the event during the Burke Festival on September 8th and 9th.

**Committee Updates:**

Outreach: There is no outreach coordinator at this time

Grants: Matthew Marquis informed the Council that FEMA currently has all project proposals and will respond within 30 days. He also mentioned that the award letters have been sent.

Membership: Jim Kirkpatrick will be reaching out to absent Council members to determine their status. Matthew Marquis recommended that if a member has 2 unexcused absences then that member can be voted to be removed from the Council.

**Member Updates – Board of Supervisor Representatives:**

At-Large: Jade Harberg had nothing to report

Braddock: James Sobecke requested more information regarding the CRGs and the rebuilding of the program when available.

Dranesville: William McKenna was not able to attend the meeting.

Hunter Mill: No representative at this time

Lee: Linda Waller informed the Council of the Springfield Bridge Walk on August 21st, 2018.

Mason: Gary Nisker had nothing to report

Mount Vernon: Jonathan Kiell had nothing to report

Providence*:* Nick Ludlumwas not able to attend the meeting.

Springfield: Jim Kirkpatrick attended a “Neighbor to Neighbor” meeting focused on connecting community members to the elderly within their neighborhood

Sully: Caitlin Hutchinson was not able to attend the meeting.

**Member Updates – Core Programs:**

**CERT**: James Sobecki informed the Council that the CERT website is being renovated. He also informed the Council that there are 130 certified ham radio operators through CERT.

**Fire Corps**: Daniel Liebman had nothing to report

**MRC**: Alexandra Seifert informed the Council that 4 MRC volunteers went to assist with the Centreville fires. MRC also hosted an active shooter training on April 26th and participated in Preparedness Awareness Weekend on May 5th.

**Neighborhood Watch**: Frank Vajda was not able to attend the meeting.

**VIPS/APO**: Jennifer Wheeler was unable to attend the meeting

**Member Updates – Affiliated Organizations**:

**ARES**: Mary Moon informed the Council that ARES had a triannual exercise on May 5th at Dulles Airport.

**American Red Cross:** Rose Madison was unable to attend the meeting.

**Fairfax Local Emergency Planning Committee**: Erik Peterson informed the Council that FLEPC met on April 12th to plan a full scale exercise sometime in September or October. He also informed the Council that the EPA will issue new rulings for LEPCs and its functions February 2019.

**PRS-CrisisLink**: Laura Mayer was not able to attend the meeting.

**United Way:** Lawrence Ewing was not able to attend the meeting.

**FCIA**: Tom Lambiase has nothing to report

**Volunteer Fairfax**: Paul Anderson was not able to attend the meeting.

**Office of Emergency Management Report:** Matthew Marquis informed the Council of upcoming events:

 June 1st: Command vehicles will be at the police range for display

June 8-10: Celebrate Fairfax

 June 22nd: Active Shooter Training

**New Business:**

With the recommended policy of voting to remove members with 2 unexcused absences in mind, the question of telecommuting was brought up. Matthew Marquis will review Fairfax County policies to see if this is possible or not.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

**Next meeting is Thursday, July 26th, 2018 at 6:45pm at the Fairfax County Government Center Room 232**

**General Meeting – Sign In**

**May 24th, 2018**

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| **Name** | **Organization Represented** | **Initial** |
| Arroyo, Courtney | Office of Emergency Management - Staff |  |
| Brown, Sulayman | Office of Emergency Management - Staff |  |
| Colwell, Scott \* | Volunteers in Police Service - Staff | **X** |
| Craven, Steve \* | NoVa Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster |  |
| Drost, Peggy (\* Alternate) | Faith Communities In Action |  |
| Dunne, Matthew \* | Fairfax County Council of PTAs |  |
| Ewing, Lawrence \* | United Way |  |
| Fried, Gregory \*  | Neighborhood Watch – Staff |  |
| Harberg, Jade \* | At-Large | **X** |
| Havers, Mary (\* Alternate) | PRS-CrisisLink |  |
| Hovan, Meredith \* | PRS-CrisisLink |  |
| Hutchison, Caitlin \* | Sully District |  |
| Katz, Jeffrey \* | Staff - Community Emergency Response Team & Fire Corps |  |
| Kiell, Jonathan \* | Mount Vernon District | **X** |
| Kirkpatrick, Jim \* | Springfield District | **X** |
| Lambiase, Tom \* | Faith Communities in Action | **X** |
| Leino, Rick (\* Alternate) | American Red Cross |  |
| Liebman, Daniel \* | Fire Corps | **X** |
| Ludlum, Nicholas \* | Providence District |  |
| Madison, Rose \* | American Red Cross |  |
| Marquis, Matthew | Office of Emergency Management - Staff | **X** |
| McDaniel, Douglas \* | George Mason University |  |
| McKenna, William \* | Dranesville District |  |
| Miller, Justin \* | Northern Virginia Community College |  |
| Moon, Mary (\* Alternate) | Amateur Radio Emergency Services | **X** |
| Mooney, Seamus | Office of Emergency Management – Coordinator |  |
| Nisker, Gary \* | Mason District | **X** |
| O’Leary, Bonnie \* | NOVA Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing |  |
| O, Neill, Brendan \* | Amateur Radio Emergency Services |  |
| Patel, Tejas \* | Boy Scouts of America |  |
| Peterson, Erik \* | Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee | **X** |
| Powers, Dana (\* Alternate) | Community Emergency Response Team – Staff |  |
| Ranck, Marty (\* Alternate) | Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee |  |
| Rosca, Paula \* | Medical Reserve Corps – Staff |  |
| Rothe-Smith, Diana \* | Volunteer Fairfax | **X** |
| Scott, Patrick \* | Hunter Mill District (Outreach) |  |
| Seifert, Alexandra (\* Alternate)  | Medical Reserve Corps | **X** |
| Sobecke, James \* | Braddock District (Chairperson) | **X** |
| Steele, Grelia | Office of Emergency Management - Staff |  |
| Sullivan, Andrew | Office of Emergency Management - Staff |  |
| Swenson, Emily (\* Alternate) | Volunteer Fairfax |  |
| Tuttle-Ferrio, Missy \* | Community Emergency Response Team (Vice-Chairperson) |  |
| Waller, Linda \* | Lee District | **X** |
| Wheeler, Jennifer \* | Volunteers in Police Service |  |
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| **ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES** |
| Hosek, Donna | Community Emergency Response Team | **X** |

\* Indicates Voting Member