

# FAIRFAX COUNTY CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL Meeting Minutes for December 3, 2020

# of members present: 17 people

Time Start: 6:45 PM Time End: 8:03 PM

#### **Business Meeting**

A quorum was present and minutes for the September 2020 meeting were approved with no objections.

#### **New Business:**

- 1. *COVID-19 Update [Fairfax County Health Department]:* The county continues to respond to the 2020 pandemic though testing, vaccine planning, and contact tracing. Cases are increasing in the region and country.
- 2. Incident Local Response [Fairfax County OEM]: OEM continues to support FCHD and the county with COVID-19 response needs, specifically through logistics and coordination. OEM continues to plan for EOC staffing changes as cases surge in the region and the country. OEM continues to monitor for any future needs from public safety departments as partners such as the school distract.
- 3. Volunteer and Donations Management [Tejas Patel]: Collect donations, masks, medical PPE, and other items at the warehouse. They have also been working with houses of worship on mask requests. Holiday volunteering and donations guidance in online. NOVA VOAD will have a quarterly meeting next week.
- **4.** *The Direction of the Citizen Corps Council [Fairfax County OEM]:* The results of the brainstorming meeting was presented and discussed. Points included the need of a clarified mission, an opportunity for more coordination between the district representatives and district preparedness projects, public visibility and awareness of the council, and tools such as an improved website and shared calendar.

## **Committee Updates:**

Grants: Ashley Morris

Grant reporting numbers will be due for the quarter at the end of December. Funding is still being reviewed.



Membership: Jim Kirkpatrick Absent, no Membership update

# Member Updates – Board of Supervisor Representatives:

At-Large:	Jade Harberg	
Not in attendance		
Braddock:	James Sobecke	
There were no updates from Braddock to be given.		
Dranesville:	William McKenna	
Not in attendance		
Hunter Mill:	Andrea McCarthy	
Not in attendance		
Lee:	Linda Waller	
There were no updates from Lee to be given.		
Mason:	Marco Johnson	
Not in attendance		
Mount Vernon:	Joe Hanson	
Not in attendance		
Providence:	Nate Baldwin	
Not in attendance		
Springfield:	Jim Kirkpatrick	
Not in attendance		
Sully:	Richard Gremmin	
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There were no updates from Sully to be given.



### **Member Updates – Core Programs:**

**CERT**: [Jeffrey Katz]: CERT assisted with its 22 food distribution on 12/3 and helped 1500 families in need. The food distribution ran out of food before everyone was served. The program was cut back from 3,000 boxes to 1,500 boxes and will be put on hold after the week of 12/7. It will likely pick back up in January. There is still a big need for food assistance. CERT has been collecting winter supplies to keep volunteers warm and resilient in the event of inclement weather during any volunteer events. CERT is still holding classes with a mix of virtual learning and socially distanced skill classes. Classes are extremely small at 10 a class. CERT continues to support Fairfax County Fire Rescue Department with the rollout of Pulsepoint and the mapping of AEDs around the jurisdiction. CERT has acquired a canteen unit upon approval to be used for many training and incident needs. Lastly, CERT is aiming to be the 13<sup>th</sup> partner to the fire department. This would put the CERT association on a similar level as the 12 volunteer houses in the county.

**Fire Corps**: [Daniel Liebman/Shawn Stokes]: Many volunteer fire departments stopped taking volunteers at the start of COVID, and are now starting to make plans on bringing volunteer recruitment back. All 12 volunteer houses did something different.

**MRC** – [Meagan Doran]: MRC has 1078 active volunteers with 1,000 joining and 535 volunteers trained and processed since COVID started with 660 still pending. Testing, logistics support, outreach distribution, registering community members are tasks that have been assisted by MRC members. Some members have been assisting with flu vaccinations and language interpretation as well. Currently, MRC has 50 volunteers approved to assist as vaccinators and 31 working towards it. MRC's priority is to increase the number of vaccinators, starting with pharmacy students and nursing students so that they can assist. 276 volunteers have assisted with 5200 hours of response. MRC has completed 4900 hours of training since COVID began as well.

**Neighborhood Watch**: [Reanna Jacobsen]: Neighborhood watch trainings have been done on ZOOM. Less engagement, but people are still attending and completing the trainings.

**VIPS/APO**: [Marques Lowry]: VIPS continues to train online and virtually. Many are teleworking or performing admin roles. Some APOs have been back working.

Member Updates – Affiliated Organizations:

ARES: None

American Red Cross: None



Fairfax Local Emergency Planning Committee: None

PRS-CrisisLink: None

United Way: None

**FCIA**: Tom Lambiase: FCIA has been sending out holiday guidance newsletters as well as COVID-19 updates. Ramona has been working on programs related to police and criminal justice reform and faith and equity.

**Volunteer Fairfax**: Tejas Patel: For any virtual or digital volunteer training needs or interest, please reach out to him.

Child Life Disaster Relief: Visit website for resources to assist with children and COVID-19

Next meeting is Thursday, January 21st, 2020 at 6:45pm virtually



# General Meeting – Sign In December 3, 2020

Name	Organization Represented	Present
Arroyo, Courtney	Office of Emergency Management- Staff	
Branstetter, Ross	Community Emergency Response Team	X
Brown, Sulayman	Office of Emergency Management- Staff	
Huff, Taylor	American Red Cross	
Lowery, Marques	Volunteers in Police Service- Staff	X
Patel, Tejas	NoVA Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster	X
Vacant	Fairfax County Council of PTAs	
Johnson, Mason	Mason District	
Jocobsen, Reanna	Neighborhood Watch	X
Genus, Richard	Neighborhood Watch – Staff	
Harberg, Jade *	At-Large (Secretary)	
Havers, Mary (* Alternate)	PRS-CrisisLink	
Hovan, Meredith *	PRS-CrisisLink	
Cramond, Richard	Sully District	X
Jacobson, Reanna (Alternate)	Neighborhood Watch	X
Jolley, Paul	Fairfax Local Emergency Planning Committee	X
Katz, Jeffrey	Staff - Community Emergency Response Team & Fire Corps	X
Hanson, Joe	Mount Vernon District	
Kirkpatrick, Jim *	Springfield District	
Lambiase, Tom *	Faith Communities In Action	X
Leino, Rick (* Alternate)	American Red Cross	
Liebman, Daniel *	Fire Corps	X
Vacant	Boy Scouts of America	
McCarthy, Andrea *	Hunter Mill District	
McDaniel, Douglas *	George Mason University	
McKenna, William *	Dranesville District	
Holmes, Hayley	Northern Virginia Community College	
Moon, Mary (* Alternate)	Amateur Radio Emergency Services	
Mooney, Seamus	Office of Emergency Management – Coordinator	
Morris, Ashley	Office of Emergency Management – Staff	X
Nisker, Gary *	Mason District	
O'Leary, Bonnie *	NoVa Resource Center for Deaf & Hard of Hearing	X
O'Neill, Brendan	Amateur Radio Emergency Services	
Patel, Tejas *	Volunteer Fairfax	X
Powers, Dana	Community Emergency Response Team – Staff	
Ridgway, William	Volunteers In Police Service – Staff	



Ranck, Marty (* Alternate)	Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee	
Rosca, Paula	Medical Reserve Corps – Staff	
Doran, Stephanie	Medical Reserve Corp	Х
Sobecke, James	Braddock District (Chairperson)	X
Kim, Levina	United Way	
Sullivan, Andrew *	Office of Emergency Management – Staff	
Swenson, Emily (* Alternate)	Volunteer Fairfax	
Waller, Linda *	Lee District	Х
Watkins, Linda	INOVA Hospital	
Vacant	Fairfax County Public Schools	
Baldwin, Nate	Providence	
Stokes, Shawn	Fire Corps – Program Manager	X
O'Keefe, Jennifer	HOPE Animal-Assisted Crisis Response	
Dye, Mary Jane	Fairfax County Division of Adult and Aging Services	
Lawrence, Cheryl	Child Life Disaster Relief	Х

\* Indicates Voting Member