

PASSCOM EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE Minutes February 12, 2019

PRESENT:

Mike Barron, City of Calimesa/President; Alfred Blair, Four Seasons; Tim Chavez, CAL Fire; Dick Heitman, SGMH; Joey Hunter, SGMH; Mario Janesin, Community Access Center; Fred Johnson, CERT/SPARC; John Keith, Plantation on the Lakes; Stacie Kelly, Rivco EMD; Amanda Koleszar, LLU Health Beaumont-Banning; Mike Martin, Retired SCE; Steve McGill, Serrano Del Vista/CERT volunteer; T.J. Moody, Sun Lakes Country Club; Dennis Rice, Solera; Mike Simon, Plantation on the Lake/Vice President; Bob Snedaker, Simplier Life; Larry Spence, Plantation on the Lakes/LCS; Leonard Tavernetti, Four Seasons; Janet Upchurch, Red Cross; DeEsta West, Secretary/LDS Church; Gerald Winkel, Red Cross; Anita Worthen, Four Seasons-EPP; Lloyd White, Beaumont City Council.

Call To Order	Mike Simon called the meeting to order at 08:35 AM	
Self- Introductions		
OLD BUSINESS		
Proposed Action Minutes	Minutes from Jan.8, 2019 were unanimously approved.	
Treasures Report	T.J. Moody reported that there is \$886.38 in the PASSCOM account as of 2-1-19.	

AGENCY UPDATES:				
PASSCOM Website	Dennis Rice that there were 577 hits in Jan. Resource links are also on the website. He gave the password for the site. Website is www.passcom.us .	Send or email Dennis flyers to post		
Riverside County EMD	Stacie Kelly reported that they will be having a CERT field day at Ben Clark training center on March 16 from 8-12. You must be CERT certified to attend the field day. Sign up on rivcocert.org. Mike B. was given a flyer. EMD is still trying to coordinate this year's CERT classes. Cities also do a training. County does not charge a fee. They are also logistically coordinating in case of floods however it starts with the community.			
City of Calimesa/Preside nt	Mike Barron wanted to thank everyone for putting up with his computer mishaps. He is working on it.			
San Gorgonio Medical Hospital	Joey Hunter reported that the camera system was updated-it is a great quality system. They are having a table talk exercise in March.			
Plantation on the Lakes/ Vice President	Mike Simon asked that if anyone has a speaker idea to let him know			
Presenter	Captain Don Camp CAL Fire/RVC. don.camp@fire.ca.gov. He stays very busy professionally. He showed a video presentation. Motto for the job is "Leave it better than you found it". He is doing a training right now. The academies are certified. All are trained the same way throughout California. These are the Prerequisites- Fit 1-intro to fire service, CPAT, EMT-NREMT, Medical Exam. The job has big stress consequences ie. high divorce rate, Alcoholism etc. Post-Traumatic Stress is big. You see a lot of things. Moreno Valley College Fire Academy. Academy Prep is 4 weeks. It's Tuesday and Thursday. It is like CrossFit. Fire Academy is 12 weeks. It is 5-6 days a week, 12 hours a day. Forty spots are available to enter. Last class had 31 graduate. The program is very structures. They teach for success. They teach skills, knowledge and ability. They students need to bring heart and desire. Cost is \$2600.00. It is expensive because of equipment. They also receive college credit and certificates. There are two 16 week academies per year. The academy covers many subjects ie. Hazmat, terrorism, fire, auto extrication. He then showed a video of a typical day (It looks like boot camp). Training never stops. When it does you need to turn in your papers. When Captain Camp is not running the academy he is a CAL fire chief. He said to say "hi" to them when you see them in the stores. They appreciate it. Education-they push personnel to get their education. At least a two year degree. Stacie Kelly asked if there was an age limit. There is no Maximum age. Someone is in their class right now			

	who is in their 40's. In Orange County personnel have to take another 16 week course. Being a paramedic is a premium.	
	Also bilingual is in great demand. There is a need for	
	firefighters. It is interesting to note that 95% of firefighters	
	have some type of dysfunction in their family. Bob Snedaker	
	asked "how do you feel about volunteer fire departments?" He	
	said as a volunteer firefighter you have to have the same	
	requirements as the other Fire 1 Cert. Feb. 25 is when the	
	next academy starts. Call if you would like to take a field trip to	
	the academy. Fred Johnson asked "When are you doing an	
	extrication?" He has an arrangement with a junk yard. Anita	
	Worthen asked about women in the program. In the last class	
	three young ladies finished. Four could not finish the prerequisites. There are two in the academy right now. He	
	said to look up Lovie Jung on the internet. She has a gold	
	medal in the softball Olympics and now is a firefighter in	
	Riverside. Bob Snedaker asked if there was new training with	
	the wildland fire. He said they use to have a 5-7 year sieges.	
	Now they are about every year. Remember rain causes	
	grasses-then grasses dry up-then you have a fire hazard. First	
	priority is always life	
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