

Notes from ACCC meeting on Thursday, September 25th, 2014

Members Present: Ron Deadman, Robert Wooten, Jeffrey Stachmus, James Lewis, Randy Clawson and Erin Hausauer

Guest: None

Minutes / Agenda

Meeting called to order at 6:06pm

Jeffrey opened with Psalm 90:17, *“Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the works of our hands upon us; yes, establish the works of our hands!”* and a prayer.

Minutes Agenda:

Roll Call: Those present are listed above. Absentees / vacancies include:
(citizen) Roy Taniguchi moved to England - need to replace
(M.Co. DPH) Jessica Baggett - need to replace
(M.Co. DPH) Kaitlin Walker - need to replace
(Care 1st Res. Center) Brandon Newman - need to replace
(Vips) Debbie Ray - absent

Approval of Minutes 8/23/13 meeting: Mr. Clawson motion, Mr. Wooten second, approved

Agenda items:

- Introduction of Mrs. Erin Hausauer, new City of Avondale Emergency Management Officer
- Emergency Preparedness Training - Mr. Deadman informed that Ms. Sue Pistora is qualified trainer for “R U Ready?” classes. Mrs. Hausauer detailed class: 1 day event, max of 25-30 participants, and what it teaches (home safety, mental preparedness, what could happen, develop communication plan, having a safe meeting place, building a kit). Mr. Clawson suggested we target to do this quarterly, starting with a “beta” class in December (recommended all ACCC members attend), recommended date December 6th, 2014. Mr. Lewis asked, *“What is a successful class?”* Mrs. Hausauer said the R U Ready training is

more focused on awareness and preparedness than the more tangible / measurable reposes from CERT and other volunteer trainings.

- Emergency Management Web Page - Mr Deadman and Mrs. Hausauer said the webpage has been and will continue to be updated. Mr. Lewis recommended us look into partnering with existing social media the city is already using to get notices / alerts out to the public (Twitter, Facebook, etc.). Also suggested, and will look into, ACCC app for smart phone users. We discussed our “branding” and what it is that the ACCC is chartered to do. Mr. Stachmus recommended forming subcommittee to work through and report back to ACCC regarding, “*What is our charter?*” “*What is the most important thing we want to let the people know?*” “*Who are our audience?*” “*Who are our resources?*” Mr. Lewis made motion to create subcommittee, Mr. Wooten second and vote approved. Subcommittee consists of Mr. Stachmus, Mr. Lewis and Mrs. Hausauer.
- Resident Appreciation Night - Council discussed success of previous RAN events. Next event is on Saturday, October 11th, 2014 in Old Town on Western Ave. ACCC will have a booth near other emergency groups. Mrs. Hausauer will have materials (cards?) to give out with information on ACCC and opportunity for people to preregister for R U Ready course. Mr. Lewis suggested a tablet to have people fill out rather than paper and date entry after the event. Mrs. Hausauer is getting a First Aid Kit as a raffle item for the booth, could use the tablet as way to sign up for raffle also. Mr. Stachmus to bring “Plinko” carnival game for kids to play and win candy. Candy to be donated.

New Business:

- Flood on Monday, September 8th, 2014 discussed. It was a record breaking day and council had previous discussed that flooding was the largest threat to Avondale. Discussed how impacted various groups represented. To many to was a blessing that the rain occurred in the early morning hours before people were already on the road and / or trapped someplace. Mr. Clawson says that we might be in an “El Nino” weather pattern and could expect a very wet winter, and why we need to do the R U Ready before winter months. Mr. Stachmus suggested preparing citizens for next Monsoon season. Mr. Stachmus asked if there is a person in Emergency Management or City or Superintendent would be the authority to issue school closings. Council discussed and Mrs. Hausauer recommends building relations with districts and other groups to get emergency information out and make recommendations.

- Lockdown at Westview High School discussed. ACCC aware of other potential soft targets for threat and terror, including P.I.R., Phoenix Cardinal Stadium, Palo Verde Plant, etc. Other local high school had 3 false bomb threats in one week.

Call to Public: No public citizens in attendance

Schedule Next Meeting: ACCC will meeting again on Monday, November 10th, 2014 at 6:00pm.

Mrs. Hausauer to email out minutes and updated contact information to council.

Adjournment: Council adjourned at 7:25pm.