City of Redlands Disaster Council Minutes

Monday, January 28, 2019 City Council Chambers 35 Cajon Street Suite #2 Redlands, CA 92373

A. Call to Order (Mayor Paul W. Foster)

• Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance (Mayor Paul W. Foster)

C. Public Comment (Mayor Paul W. Foster)

(At this time, the Disaster Council will provide an opportunity for the public to address them on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Committee that is not already scheduled on this agenda. Please Note: No general discussion of such items or action on such items may be taken by the Committee. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes.)

No comments

D. Introductions / Disaster Council Purpose (Fay Glass)

- Fay Glass welcomed everyone to the Disaster Council Meeting.
- Presenters Shannon Kendall and Carrie Cruz introduced themselves.

E. Approval of Minutes (Mayor Paul W. Foster)

• Motion to approve the minutes of October 28, 2018 meeting: Minutes Approved

F. Old Business

• No Follow-up items (Fay Glass)

G. New Business

- 1. "Hurricane Florence: Experiences Working in the South Carolina State Emergency Operations Center"
 - a. Shannon Kendall, Emergency Services Coordinator, Loma Linda Fire Department and East Valley Fire Command, Volunteer at American Red Cross
- Shannon spoke about being deployed to South Carolina to support emergency management with Hurricane Florence in 2018 which brought 23.5 inches of rain and where 455,000 people were displaced.
- Shannon was tasked with coordination of the military, governor's office, local agencies, the Salvation Army, and the Red Cross.
- The emergency efforts helped take care of the people displaced from this hurricane including safety, shelter, and food.
- Key takeaways:
 - o When asked to evacuate, do so before it is too late.
 - o Prepare, prepare, prepare.
 - Continuously learn from each disaster so that one can be more prepared for the next.
- 2. Report by Carrie Cruz, San Bernardino County Fire Department OES/Operational Area.
- The San Bernardino Emergency Operations Center was open from January 14-18, 2019
 due to the Winter Storms. Because of the response from those affected, the County of San
 Bernardino declared a state of Emergency and will be receiving funds for this incident.
 The City of Redlands was not affected by this storm event.
- Due to major wildfires in the State of California in the last few years, State Bill 833 has been introduced to help counties and cities to fund updates and install alert warning systems. The deadline to apply for this funding is July 1, 2019.
- The County will be having a Shelter Operations Compound (SOC) exercise in June 2019 and will be looking for volunteers.

- 3. Report by Fay Glass, City of Redlands City Manager's Office Emergency Management Division. Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP).
- Basic CERT training classes for 2019, Cert Affiliated Training, as well as Disaster
 Council meetings for 2019 can be found on the cityofredlands.org website.
- Four CERT Zone leadership working groups have been formed so that each can work together to prepare for and help out should an emergency arise.
- The city is looking into buying CERT pods, equipment, and possibly a trailer.

H. Member Announcements (Roundtable)

- A member would like to know what is in place for long term recovery for the area in the event that a disaster strikes similar to Paradise, CA with the recent fires.
- Freddy Armijo from the City of Riverside Utilities Department won the safety bag.

I. Possible agenda items for next meeting (?)

- Carrie Cruz stated that the county has plans on long term recovery and that she would be willing to discuss the plan at a future meeting.
- Mark Cloud stated that he could discuss the procedures that Southern California Edison (SCE) uses in emergencies. SCE preemptively shut off power in high-risk fire areas to reduce fire outbreak during extreme and potentially dangerous fire weather conditions California recently had.

J. Adjournment

• Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

(The next Disaster Council Meeting will be held on April 22, 2019)