

Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) City of Takoma Park

Thursday, December 15, 2022

Virtual Only

via Zoom

7-8.30 pm

AGENDA

Issue/ item	Person	Est. Time/ minutes
Rollcall of members- October meeting notes acceptance	Chris	5
Review of Stormwater Presentation?	All	10
--Takoma Park, Montgomery County & State Reports	Ron Hardy	10
Reflection on recent events-Plan crash and power outage	All	15
Fridge Magnet Update	Ron Hardy	5
Future outreach and community events (if any)	All	10
Committee Planning for 2023	All	10
Outreach items for 2023	All	10
TP leadership Training idea	Ron	10

Next Meeting: January 19, 2023

___ Emergency Preparedness Committee Minutes

December 15, 2022

Present: Dianne Cherry, Claudine Schweber, Kathe Quinn, Troy Jacobs

Ron Hardy and guest Buddy Daniels

Absent: Chris Beck, Jim Della-Giacoma, Ami Gadhia, Mandi Booth, Emily Marshall (resigned from the committee)

Meeting started at 7:04 pm, there was not a quorum

Minutes from November were not accepted due to a lack of a quorum, tabled to January

A quick review of the Takoma Park Stormwater Management Plan and progress given in November by Public Works Director Daryl Braithwaite. Committee members commented on areas they observed over the last month as being very well done

City, County, State updates: The county and state are recommending people get the flu and CoVid shots and any boosters, mask wearing while inside public areas (optional), good hygiene and stay home if sick. Ron has been busy with working on public announcement via the radio and an article for the January newsletter. Reviewed Cathy Plevy's announcement for preparation for winter weather. Ron is also working on safety training for the Council.

The power grid disruption was discussed due to a plan into a major power line and the attack on a North Carolina power distribution hub. The message for the community is to be prepared for sudden power outages due to weather or man-made events.

Fridge magnets are in. 250 were purchased, the committee would like to purchase another 1000 for outreach distribution at 2023 events

Planning for 2023: The committee would like to distribute flyers to more locations in 2023 in English and Spanish. The committee would like to get some in different languages as well. Ideas include the CO-OP, "Small Things Matter" at a church distribution site, multi-unit dwellings in the city, and some of the non-profits.

Ron is developing a Table Top Exercise for Council and the city's senior leadership. The EPC will act in an advisory role on the presentation, possibly in February prior to rollout to city leadership.