

## **Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD) Volusia Community**

### **General Membership Meeting Summary – 19 March, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 2:04PM by Deanie Lowe, co-chairman of COAD.

- Mrs. Lowe requested names of volunteers to phone the general membership to increase our attendance.
- She mentioned that all meeting minutes are posted on the COAD website: [www.volusiacoad.org](http://www.volusiacoad.org)
- David Heald, who is now chairman of the Response and Recovery Strike Team up-dated the membership:
  - This strike team's duties right now are to make a database and call lists.
  - They have been meeting regularly and getting organized.
  - Mary Yochum is now the secretary for this strike team.
- Frank Bruno, co-chairman for COAD, discussed the brochure to be handed out to the public which explains COAD's goals.
  - It was designed by David Heald and edited by the Steering Committee.
  - Lithocraft printed them at cost and Mr. Bruno donated the rest.
  - Charlie Howell has lined up new phone numbers which are on the brochure.
  - Mr. Howell has also set up our website.
- Jerry Brandon, chairman of the Preparedness Strike Team gave a summary report to up-date the membership:
  - The team has completed all necessary training and they are ready to go!
  - This team actually had their "Kick-off" yesterday.
  - There are 100 packets put together ready to be handed out at presentations of MYN (Map Your Neighborhood).
  - The general membership can get packets and go out to their neighbors and civic groups to give the presentation.

- The next meeting for the Prep Strike Team will be 6 May, 2014 at the EOC at 2:00 PM. Everyone is welcome.
- The meeting continued with discussion on several agenda items:
  - Our main goal for the Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) is for us to be able to take care of ourselves and our neighbors for up to 2 days because emergency organizations may not be able to get to us before then.
  - Mrs. Lowe talked about and summarized the workshop given by Steve Szabo.
  - Even though our COAD has only really been active since August, some Florida counties are already copying us!
  - We, as COAD, will not self-activate.
  - An activation flow chart must be in place.
  - Jim Clements, a retired firefighter and our safety officer, said that a directory of volunteers and resources is being worked on.
  - We need 4 people to work as ESF on shift at the EOC when we are activated.
  - Logan Bernstein and Patrick Forand have arranged for our membership to take ICS (Incident Command System) 100 and 700. These courses explain protocols and language about organizations and functions that are critical for us to understand.
  - Charlie Howell said that everyone needs to be registered and also set up their own bio.
  - Mr. Bruno suggested that we need someone from the Hotel/Motel Association on board with COAD.
- Tom McCombs introduced the major agenda item for this meeting:
  - We need lists of our membership by quadrant within the county. Included with these names, we also need:
    - Basic knowledge and skills
    - Equipment and supplies located at their personal site

- The main idea is to be able to create a “calling tree” for this information and then determine a primary contact person as well as one back-up person.
- Members in attendance then broke up into groups. Each group represented one quadrant of Volusia County.
  - Northwest Quadrant:
    - Primary = Doug Hubbs
    - Back-up = Tom McCombs
    - COAD members in the NW quadrant:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization Represented</u>
Lisa Doig	GCRD – Pierson
Doug Hubbs	LDS
Tom McCombs	LDS
Diane Olsen	United Way

- Northeast Quadrant:
  - Primary = Dave Troxler
  - Back-up = David Heald
  - COAD members in the NE quadrant:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization Represented</u>
Jim Clements	COAD
Ray Parkhurst	Red Cross
Dave Troxler	VIND
John Locicero	BARA

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Warren Greenberg	Volusia ARES
David Heald	OCC
Mary Yochum	Lions
Jerry Brandon	VGMC
Andrea Brandon	Volunteer

○ Southwest Quadrant:

- Primary =
- Back-up =
- COAD members in the SW quadrant:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization Represented</u>
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○ Southeast Quadrant:

- Primary = Charly Poniatowski
- Back-up = Kimberly Long
- COAD members in SE quadrant:

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Charly Poniatowski	COA
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Kimberly Long

Salvation Army

Charlie Howell

Career Source Flagler/Volusia

Jack Travis

SE Volusia Habitat

Coronado United Methodist Church

Bishop Charles Weeb

LDS Church

John Long

VITAS

Logan Bernstein

VCHD – MRC

Jesse Clark

Volusia County Schools

Ralph Schoenerr

City of South Daytona

- The membership group came back together to discuss the results of each small group meeting.
- The General Membership Meeting was adjourned at 3:36 PM.