

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

**General Membership Meeting – 16 May 2018**

Members and guests present:

Barkley, Stacy	Greenberg, Warren	Parkhurst, Ray
Black, Dan	Hall, Carmen	Rademacher, Jeanne
Beck-Frate, Kimberly	Howell, Charlie	Rose, Sandy
Brandon, Andrea	Hudgins, Lucy	Ryan, Deborah
Brandon, Jerry	Kennedy, Lynn	Troxler, David
-Bruno, Frank	Linthicun, Kim-Anne	Ungaro, Cameron
Case, Joyce	Lowe, Deanie	VanDyke, David
Foley, Terry	Martin, Carl	White, Jeff
Giles, Dave	North, Linda	White, Pat

**Mr. Jerry Brandon** opened the meeting at 2:10 PM.

Mr. Brandon called for approval of the minutes of the January 17, 2018 meeting. Minutes were approved. He passed around a roster of the general members for additions and corrections.

**Mr. Ray Parkhurst** was asked for a financial report. The bank account currently has \$1058.

**Ms. Lynn Kennedy** presented Healthy Volusia recommendations to COAD for All Hazard Events. Here is a summary of the recommendations:

- 1) Identify and acknowledge exemplary activities and replicate as possible.
- 2) Additional staffing support for 2-1-1 to maintain a current and thorough database of community organizations that provide health and human services before, during and after all-hazards events.
- 3) Explore the transition of the EOC from disaster management, with representatives from municipalities, to a human services response with a select group of representatives from key community organizations that provide services to individuals and families, to assist with their recovery from the event.
- 4) Engage health and human services organizations and encourage them to develop Continuity of Operations Plans (COOP) and inform COAD of their existence and how to access them when needed.
- 5) Enhance marketing/promotion of emergency contact information for community information before and after an all-hazard event through traditional and non-traditional methods.
- 6) Consider shelter space and bedding for special populations to include raised bedding for the elderly and space allotment for Pack 'n Plays for families with infants to ensure safe sleep.

7) Implement a voluntary pre-registration system for vulnerable populations. Support the Healthy Start app for pregnant women and adapt to other populations if successful.

8) Continue a dialogue on housing and homelessness to better prepare for shelter, post-shelter and cold-weather shelter support.

9) Continue to promote COAD and increase engagement from health and human services organizations in steering committee and general meetings to improve ongoing communication among all organizations.

**Ms. Deanie Lowe** asked if we need to vote on these recommendations. Ms. Kennedy responded, no. It is being presented to COAD for consideration.

**Mr. Jerry Brandon** indicated that the next speaker could not make the meeting, but Mr. Frank Bruno will bring us to date with ESF-15 which was the speaker's topic.

**Mr. Frank Bruno** spoke about the recent history of ESF-15 staffing. The new plan calls for Volusia County Community Services to take on the ESF-15 role. Mr. Bruno also talked about the Port Orange firefighters volunteering their off-time to help people in their community after a disaster. He would like to duplicate this initiative. He will make sure that Donna DeMarsh Butler of Volusia County Community Services gets a copy of the Healthy Volusia recommendations before they meet with the steering committee.

**Ms. Jeanne Rademacher** mentioned Deltona's Hot Dogs and Hurricane Expo on May 29.

**Mr. Jerry Brandon** spoke about the Hometown News article, working with city managers to duplicate the Port Orange firefighter initiative and the Volunteer Florida seminar attended by Mr. Bruno, Ms. White and Mr. Brandon. The major point that he brought back from this seminar was "preparation".

**Mr. Jerry Brandon** adjourned the meeting at 3:10 PM

Respectfully Submitted by  
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Co-Secretary  
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