Volusia Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD)

General Membership Meeting – 20 March 2019

Members and guests present:

Brandon, Andrea  Greenberg, Warren  Morton, Paula
Brandon, Jerry  Hawkins, Lyn  Rademacher, Jeanne
Colits, Linda  Howell, Charlie  Rossetti, Judith
Dick, Aleta  Hudgins, Lucy  Schamaun, Wendy
Dominguez, Jason  Kennedy, Lynn
Gitlin, Meghan  Lowe, Deanie

Mr. Jerry Brandon opened the meeting at 2:10 PM and called for each member attending to introduce themselves.

Mr. Brandon presented the minutes of the previous meeting. Ms. Deanie Lowe moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Andrea Brandon seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Ms. Aleta Dick and Ms. Wendy Schamaun of Florida Health and Volusia County Medical Reserve Corps presented the program: Until Help Arrives.

1) You Make a Difference – You are the first link in the chain of survival.

2) Call 9-1-1 as soon as possible. Provide as much specific information as possible.

3) Stop the Bleeding. Apply pressure. If manual pressure does not work, consider applying a tourniquet.

4) Position the Injured. If someone is unconscious, move them to the Recovery Position. Minimize movement of head and neck.

5) Provide Comfort. Keep the injured warm. As permission to help if the injured is conscious.

The Good Samaritan Act (FS 768.13)
“Any person including those licensed to practice medicine, who gratuitously and in good faith renders emergency care or treatment at the scene of an emergency outside a hospital, doctors office, or other place having proper medical equipment, without objection of the injured victim or victims thereof, shall not be help liable for any civil damages as a result of any act or failure to act in providing or arranging further medical treatment where the person acts as an ordinary, reasonable prudent man would have acted under the same or similar circumstances”

This course is also provided as a web tutorial through FEMA at: https://www.fema.gov/media-library/resources-documents/collections/558
Mr. Brandon noted that the next COAD General Membership meeting will be on May 15, 2019 and the next Steering Committee meeting is on April 9, 2019. A Hurricane Expo is being planned for June 8, 2019 at the fairgrounds. We are working with the county and the Hispanic Chamber on this event.

Mr. Jerry Brandon adjourned the meeting at 4:07 PM

Respectfully Submitted by
Charlie Howell
Co-Secretary
May 15, 2019