

Volusia Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD)

General Membership Meeting – 15 May 2019

Members and guests present:

Brandon, Andrea	Greenberg, Warren	Judge, Jim
Brandon, Jerry	Hall, Carmen	McDonald, Ciawanda
Bruno, Frank	Howell, Charlie	Skelnnier, Tammy
Captain, Kevin	Hudgins, Lucy	Troxler, David

Mr. Jerry Brandon opened the meeting at 2:06 PM and called for each member attending to introduce themselves.

Motion was made by Mr. Frank Bruno and seconded by Mr. Warren Greenberg to approve the minutes of March 20, 2019. Motion carried.

Mr. Jerry Brandon indicated that both of our guest speakers had emergencies, so neither Adam Leath, of Animal Control nor Claire Metz, Meteorologist could make it.

Mr. Jim Judge spoke about the upcoming hurricane season. Right now, it looks like an average year which means 12 names storms, 6 of which could be hurricanes and 3 of which could be category 3 or greater. The bad news is that there is expected to be a lot of African monsoons this year and of course that where it starts. The El Nino is there but it is weak. We are sitting on a lot of water and 10 pallets of tarps, which were free. We have done a lot of training already with the citizens information folks, we have already had a half-day hurricane exercise and we have been doing a lot of presentations out in the community. If anyone wants us to come out and do a program anywhere, we are more than happy to do it.

Mr. Frank Bruno talked about the upcoming Disaster Expo. This is a county wide expo. Frank has been having problems getting people to sponsor. We are getting a lot of vendors. Frank asked Kevin Captain to talk about the expo. Frank will be going to the fairgrounds tomorrow to finalize the facility. We have a PayPal account set up for the expo.

Mr. Kevin Captain talked about the expo speaker, Ken Bouvier. He is an international speaker. He was one of the leading figures in the aftermath of Katrina. He is working out what topic that he will bring to us.

Mr. Jim Judge indicated that Michael and Mexico Beach was the worst-case scenario. We have to work through the aftermath of the storm.

Next General Meeting will be July 17. The next Steering Committee is June 11.

Mr. Jerry Brandon adjourned the meeting at 2:40 PM

Respectfully Submitted by

Charlie Howell

Co-Secretary

Sep 18, 2019