

Volusia Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD)
Steering Committee Meeting Summary – 13 September, 2022

The meeting was brought to order at 10:04 AM by Jerry Brandon, Co-Chairman.

Members in attendance:

Brandon, Jerry	Bruno, Frank	Buckles, Yolanda
Cisco, Tom	Greenberg, Warren	Korkus Nix, Tarayn
Parkhurst, Ray	Predette, Michelle	White, Pat

- After the introduction of those on attendance, the first thing on the agenda was the review of the minutes from the last meeting. For the meeting of 9 August, 2022, the motion to accept was made by Ray Parkhurst. Seconded by Warren Greenberg, the minutes were approved,
- Next on the agenda, was an organizational up-date from each member present:
 - Tarayn Korkus Nix with the Volusia Department of Health:
 - Just received the Pfizer by-valent – the booster that just came out; will be getting the Maderna soon. She went on to explain about appointments.
 - Yolanda Buckles with Volusia Emergency Management:
 - September is Disaster Preparedness Month.
 - The County is doing an awareness campaign.
 - Mrs. Buckles went on to talk about what is being done by the County to make the public aware.
 - There is a new group of interns to be trained in various things at the County level.
 - Jakari Young, Chief of police in Daytona Beach, will be talking to the EM partners next week, using the recent shooting at Mainland High School. He will explain their procedures for this type of situation.
 - There was much discussion about emergency announcements including “code red “which is used by some cities but not the County.
 - Warren Greenberg with Volusia ARES:
 - Working on Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) but not having a great deal of success. Will be trying to improve.
 - ARES is waiting for something to happen, but they are training and “at the ready”.
 - Michelle Predette with the Salvation Army:
 - Her main function and drive are in disaster training.
 - She will meet with the EM partners next week.

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- She is outreach case manager in a new rapid response unit at the Salvation Army doing outreach to the homeless.
 - Training is being done on the Salvation Army campus on LPGA.
 - Pat White, COAD Treasurer:
 - There are no new expenditures except \$400.50 to Print House.
 - Frank Bruno, COAD Co-Chair:
 - The hurricane season has been very quiet so far. As a result, there is very little interest in having a Hurricane Conference.
 - It would be good to draw up a slate of officers to vote on at the next meeting.
 - He suggested that we look to have a Hurricane Expo in 2024.
 - There was much discussion about the next Expo, including what organizations will be able to accept donations.
 - We are overdue for the election of officers.
 - Another major item for our COAD is that we must re-build.
 - When there is something going on, we of course, have to meet. But when things are quiet, we should have quarterly meetings.
 - At the quarterly meeting, we should have speakers.
 - Mr. Brandon said he is not sure about having quarterly meetings because so much information is passed between members at every meeting.
 - Mr. Bruno asked Warren Greenberg if he would be co-chair since except for the present officers, he has been at COAD the longest.
 - He suggested a slate of officers:
 - Chairman: Ray Parkhurst
 - Vice Chairman: Warren Greenberg
 - Secretary: Francine Martin
 - Treasure: Pat White
 - The slate will be voted on at the October, 2022 meeting.
 - We can discuss the quarterly meeting at our next meeting.
 - Tom Cisco asked if we had a way of publicizing our meetings.
 - It was decided not to have a meeting in October because of all the activities of the general election.
 - A motion by Pat White to have our next meeting on 14 November in lieu of the regular October and November meeting. Seconded by Mr. Greenberg, the motion passed.
- Meeting adjourned 10:54 AM.