



MEDINA, WASHINGTON

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

Medina City Hall, 501 Evergreen Point Road
Wednesday, February 21, 2024 – 4:00 PM

AGENDA

COMMITTEE CHAIR | Rosalie Gann

COMMITTEE MEMBERS | Doug Dicharry, Cy Humphreys, Kay Koelemay

STAFF LIAISON | Austin Gidlof, Police Captain

Hybrid (In-Person and On-line) Meeting Participation

The Medina City Council and its Boards and Commissions have moved to hybrid meetings, offering both in-person and online meeting participation. In accordance with the direction from Governor Inslee, masking and social distancing will be optional for those participating in person.

Wednesday, February 21, 2024 4p-6p

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://medina-wa.zoom.us/j/89611644507?pwd=nsQS1yqw5zhDp9Q8PbPmibl4Abatg7.1>

Meeting ID: 896 1164 4507

Passcode: 392266

1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Gann welcomed attendees to the meeting and outlined the meeting's agenda.

2. APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MINUTES

[2.1](#) Approval of October 11, 2023 Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting Minutes

3. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE BUSINESS

3.1 Planning for the year.

3.2 Medina Emergency Radio Response Team Update.

3.3 Medina Updates - Captain Austin Gidlof.

3.4 Communicate, Educate, and Engage.

4. **ROUND TABLE**
5. **ADJOURNMENT**

Next meeting: TBD

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Emergency Preparedness Committee meetings are held quarterly on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 4 PM, unless otherwise specified. The agenda items are accessible on the City's website at www.medina-wa.gov on Tuesday prior to the Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need a disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, to participate in this meeting, please contact City Hall at 425-233-6400 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, April 10, 2024 - Quarterly Meeting (4:00 PM)
Wednesday, July 10, 2024 - Quarterly Meeting (4:00 PM)
Wednesday, October 9, 2024 - Quarterly Meeting (4:00 PM)



CITY OF MEDINA



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE MEETING

**October 11, 2023
4:00pm – 5:30pm**

Call to Order:

Chairperson Rosalie Gann called the Emergency Preparedness meeting to order at 4:00pm.

Roll Call:

Leadership Team:	Chairperson Rosalie Gann Dr. Doug Dicharry Dr. Kay Koelemay Cy Humphreys
City Personnel:	City Manager Steve Burns Chief Jeff Sass Captain Austin Gidlof Sergeant Eric Anderson

Welcome, Introductions & Announcements:

Chairperson Gann welcomed attendees to the meeting and outlined the meeting’s agenda.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the July 12th, 2023 Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting minutes was moved by Doug Dicharry and seconded by Cy Humphreys. The July 12th, 2023 Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting minutes were approved as written.

Medina Updates:

Captain Gidlof provided an update on the state of the city, to include a review of the new public safety camera system and an overview on the recent increase in property crimes. The police department community publications will be shifting to fall/winter safety tips and holiday safety recommendations.

Presentation – Carl Lunak, City of Bellevue Emergency Manager:

- Specializes in coordination of emergency services, Public Works, transportation, etc.
- CERT is a valuable program for emergency preparedness, highly recommended for all community members
- Trees & vegetation can pose a wildfire hazard during hot and dry summers, especially when near residences and buildings

- New homes are consistently being built with integrated fire suppression systems
- Evergreen vegetation tends to hold more moisture over drier vegetation and are a stronger deterrent to wildfire danger
- Provided resources with information on preventing fire from reaching residences (vegetation management, non-igniting building materials, etc.)
- Familiarize yourself with the operation of fire extinguishers, especially inside your home
- Training announcements will be extended to the City of Medina when available through the City of Bellevue Office of Emergency Management
- Wildlife Urban Interface Plan (WUIP) – City of Bellevue program that is a plan with how to deal with fires that come from wildland areas into more urban areas
- City of Bellevue Office of Emergency Management partners well with private and public schools in and around the Bellevue area with fire inspections, training offerings, and resource provisions
- Generators
 - Gas-powered portable generators are versatile and convenient, but require fuel storage at home
 - Natural gas/propane generators can be convenient, especially with natural gas supply to a residence. However, it can be more cumbersome to start up in the event of a power outage.
 - Be cognizant of carbon monoxide gas poisoning from generator exhaust
- City of Bellevue completed an emergency shelter plan for major natural disasters for displaced community members

Roundtable:

- In response to a recent earthquake in the northern Puget Sound area, the Seattle Times published emergency preparedness links for the public to utilize.
- Discussion on the Medina Days and Seafair events:
 - Significant public turnout
 - Lots of pamphlets and giveaways provided to community members and public
- Radio update:
 - Cy Humphreys and Captain Gidlof will be working on an inventory and potential upgrade to the community radio inventory.
 - Group maintains ties with the Bellevue radio group
 - The repeater seems to be functioning properly

Upcoming Events:

- Halloween is only a couple of weeks away; E-lert recommended for neighborhood safety.
- October 19th at 10:19am is the WA Great Shakeout event. There will be no community radio exercise this year.
- Shredder Day/Drug Take-back/E-recycling community event to be held at Medina Park on Saturday, October 21st, 2023.

Chairperson Gann adjourned the meeting at 5:30pm.

Minutes prepared by Captain Gidlof.

The next City of Medina Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting will be announced following a potential restructuring of the Committee meeting schedule.