

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
FARMINGTON / FARMINGTON HILLS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMISSION
MARCH 6, 2023
FARMINGTON HILLS CITY HALL – VIEWPOINT ROOM
31555 W. 11 MILE RD.
FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48336

CALLED TO ORDER BY: VICE CHAIR WECKER AT 5:05 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: SWEENEY, SLOAN, WECKER, SCHERTEL, SIEGRIST, YUSKOWATZ, HOPFE, CIARAMITARO

MEMEBRS ABSENT: ECHOLS, AVIE

OTHERS PRESENT: Hohanisin (FPS), J. Piggott (FHPD), K. Massey (FH City Council), Neufeld (FHFD)

CITIZENS PRESENT: Bill Smith, Mark Forshee

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Schertel, support by Siegrist, to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 9, 2023

Motion by Ciaramitaro, support by Hopfe, to approve November 7, 2022 meeting minutes as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET ITEMS:

- No change in budget

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Tip of the Month - Ciaramitaro has forwarded the "Tip of the Month" topics to Commissioners Echols & Sweeney. Echols set up a sign up genius for both Farmington and Farmington Hills meetings for 2023. Commissioners can sign up for either City. Tip of the Month will return to both Cities in March.
- EPC Goals – We are on track with completing the goals for 2023.
- Sweeney has drafted a spread sheet tracking the EPC advertised activities for 2023. It is being reviewed prior to being released.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Schertel is investigating support for the EPC to host another Women & friends self-defense Seminar. He will contact two local Martial Arts Schools and the Oakland County Sheriff's as possible instructors. Currently the Hawk Community Center is the preferred location. A draft report out is tentatively schedule for the May EPC public meeting (Open).
- The EPC is confirmed to participate in the Farmington Founders Festival static display tent. Ciaramitaro confirmed that Corewell Health will have room in their 4th tent for the EPC. Parade details are pending.

- Echols will set up the sign up so the EPC commissioners can volunteer for time slots in the EPC booth.
- Sloan was complimented on his Informational folders from 2022; and asked to prepare information for the Festival.
- Corewell Health and the FHFD are scheduling a large scale emergency practice similar to the FarmEx 1 & 2 exercises. FHFD is looking for volunteers to "dress up" as accident victims to add realism to the training event. The event is schedule for 5/16/23 at the Farmington Hills Founder Park (8 Mile Road). Volunteers should contact Lt. J. Neufeld at 248.871.2811 or e-mail their interest to jneufeld@fhgov.com.
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COMMITTEE REPORTS: (none)

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **FPS (Houhanisin)** - Schedule for Farmington Founders Festival, Art on the Grand and Memorial day activities has been approved. City of Farmington has received Grant 5/6 to add prevention cameras in the downtown area. Art on the Grand has become such a popular event the City of Farmington will be using drones for public safety.
- **FHPD (Piggott)** - The Spring 2023 session of the Civilian Police Academy (FHCPA) has started. There are 20 participants' in this session, and the Fall 2023 FHCPA already has a waiting list. FHPD has a grant to purchase 40 FLOCK license plate reader camera's for the city's main intersections; 15 cameras are already in place.
- **YMCA (Yuskowitz)** The YMCA will be conducting a food give away over the next twelve Thursdays at their Facilities drop off lane. Information will be posted on their Healthy Living & Life Skills website.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Messrs Bill Smith and Mark Forshee attended tonight's meeting. They both expressed their interest in joining the EPC commission. They spoke with several of the commissioners & Liaisons, and were encouraged to send a letter of interest to Gary Mekjian, the Farmington Hills City manager.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: (none)

NEXT MEETING DATE:

It was confirmed that the next meeting date is on Monday, March 6, 2023 in the Community Room.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice Chair Wecker adjourned the meeting at 6:25 pm.

Minutes taken by Sweeney, drafted by Secretary Echols