

Minutes for Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council (LBNC) Special Joint (EP) Emergency Preparedness/EP Communications and LBNC Board Meeting

Flyaway Bus Terminal, 2nd Floor, Community Meeting Room Zoom Meeting



Saturday, February 13, 2021, 9:00 AM

1. CALL TO ORDER 7 ROLL CALL

- **a.** Call to Order by Committee Co-Chair Linda Pruett at 9:00 AM. Instructions given to the scribe. There were 21 people in attendance.
 - b. Roll Call

Voting committee members: Dave Brown [P], Michelle Dornfest [E], Sandy Joseph [P], Gary Kay [A], Heidi Okuhara [P], Rick Pederson [P], Mary Pennomon [P], Linda Pruett [P], Linda Schwering [P], Dan Tomlinson [P]. The Quorum is 6; P=Present, A=Absent, AB=Abstain, E=Excused. Quorum met.

- **c.** Welcome Introductions. Attendees gave their name, their community, CERT training level, Red Cross affiliations, and Ham radio call sign.
- 2. MINUTES The minutes of the December 12,2020 meeting were reviewed and accepted as presented.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. LAPD SLOs Not available
- b. Public Safety Not available
- c. EP Communications Dan Tomlinson
- There is a new tool for wildfires called WI-Fire. See www.firemap.sdsc.edu. Camera views, weather information, wind, and good availability to monitor cameras are found there.
- Win-link is beginning to be used by Red Cross and other agencies.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- Linda Pruett Reminded of Sunday Ham and FRS/GMRS Net. See this month's meeting Agenda for more details.
- Sandy Joseph = Advised LAPD Heugo Fuentes, SLO, is leaving Lake Balboa and will be reassigned to Reseda later in February. He will be replaced by Officer Clark.
- Bernard Suggested use of a separate hard drive to alleviate the need for Spin Write backup computer software.
- Heidi Okuhara West Valley Animal Shelter is still closed. They may want rescue groups to handle shelters.
 LA Animal Services pet food pantry begins this weekend.
- Dave Brown Three-ring spiral notebooks may be avail through Monica Rodriquez. Email Dave if any should have interest in same.

5. MEETING TOPIC - National Burn Awareness Week Presentation by Erin Huey, EMR and American Red Cross Instructor

After her introduction, Erin shared the monitor screen showing Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation www.aarbf.org. where a great deal of burn prevention information may be found. Also see:

- The Children's Burn Foundation.
- The ABC'S of Burn Prevention at <u>www.ameriburn</u> .org is a great resource.
- CERT Guidelines for Treating Burns at <u>www.ready.gov</u> found on sites to CERT.

Next, Erin went live from her own kitchen showing examples of kitchen/stove safety.

- Always have a pot or pan lid handy in case of stovetop fire.
- Salt or flour can be used to squash a fire.
- Never put water on a grease fire.
- If burned by hot oil or grease, apply burn gel.
- A kitchen apron helps protect the wearer from hot oil or liquid splashes and spills and is easily removed.
- Have a fire extinguisher in the kitchen and know how to use it. Check it twice a year by tipping it upside down and giving it a shake to assure the active ingredient is not caked. Store in an upright position.

- Know how to turn your electricity off/on.
 - o Turn off individual breakers first, then the main switch.
 - o To turn back on, turn on the main switch first, then the individual breakers.
 - o Do not operate any electrical switches if a gas leak is suspected.

Erin was thanked for a fine presentation.

6. Remember the Animals – Operations Blankets of Love needs clean/new blankets and towels for dogs and cats in shelters, and for pets owned by the Homeless.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Schwering

The next Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Lake Balboa

EP Committee Scheduled for 03/13/2021