

# All Hazards Advisory Committee

Thursday, June 21, 2007  
CMPD/CFD Training Academy  
Room 2110 - EOC

## MINUTES

Dave Shimberg opened the meeting, calling for any general announcements, and called upon Patti Lamb for an Infrastructure Committee report. Dave Shimberg noted that this meeting concluded the current year's cycle. Discussion with other AHAC members suggests that a different approach to Annex Review might be in order, since many of the Annexes are mandated, and not locally controlled.

Dr. Keener gave a brief summary of the Regional Business Preparedness Summit hosted by UNCC and coordinated by the Mecklenburg Public Health Department, Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, CPAC, and the Department of Homeland Security. He went on to thank Sue Simpson and Dave Shimberg of CPAC's, and Wayne Broome for their help in making this a successful event, particularly the afternoon sessions

Discussion of the revised By-Laws and formal recognition of AHAC, Wayne discussed his letter to Bobby Shields, Keith Parker, and Julie Burch seeking support for the Board of County Commissioners, (BOCC, and the City Council (CC).

The group confirmed AHAC's committee year as calendar for our leadership, meaning that new Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Recording Secretary will be elected in November, and take charge at the January meeting. The group also agreed that since, many of the annexes were outside AHAC control; we will meet every other month, rather than monthly, starting in July. This takes December out of the meeting months, which was often cancelled due to holidays.

Bobby Kennedy suggested that during the interim months, sub-committees like Joint Health Operations Centers (JHOC) and Critical Infrastructure should continue to meet, providing progress reports at scheduled AHAC meetings.

After approval by BOCC and CC, standing sub-committees should be: JHOC, Critical Infrastructure, Membership, and Essential Support Service (ESS)

There are nearly 60 organizations identified in the By-laws.

The Annexes that will be included in the annual reviews include:

<b>D</b>	Roles, Responsibilities, and Functional Duties	<b>G</b>	Standard Operating Guidelines for Damage Assessment
<b>H</b>	Mass Care/Shelter Activation Guidelines	<b>I-Att 3</b>	Evacuation Protocols and Procedures
<b>J</b>	Medical and Health Services Plan	<b>L</b>	Disaster Assistance Center (DAC) Procedures
<b>M</b>	Search & Rescue	<b>O</b>	Disaster Recovery Guidance
<b>Q</b>	Terrorism (familiarization only)		

Wayne went on to suggest that as a committee, AHAC should start looking beyond the immediate community and current programs to see what we may have missed, or what we can incorporate to improve the plan, and incorporate available technology. For example how can we better communicate using GIS tools, internet tools like Web-EOC, inter county communications to improve EOC operations and effectiveness.

Kathy Watkins of CPCC asked how the County/City relates to the State University and Community College systems? Community colleges may have more locations but may not have shower facilities, generators, or their own security.

Wayne noted that he would be attending a meeting at Johnson & Whales to talk about college campus security as an outcome of the Virginia Tech shootings. College Security forces do not necessarily interface or work with local law enforcement. Objective is to open dialog between college security and local law enforcement, EMS, and EMO.

On November 14, 2007, there will be a Table Top Exercise on a major evacuation of Mecklenburg County

Bobby Kennedy introduced Amy Williams, the Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) coordinator.

Dave reminded all that September is National Preparedness Month, and this may be an opportunity for all our groups to be more visible.

Adjourned at 9:40am

**Next Meeting** will be on **Thursday July 19, 2007**, focusing AHAC By-Laws review, recognition by BOCC/CC. After which the AHAC will meet every other month (Sept, Nov, Jan, Mar, May, Jul)