

Valley Center Community Planning Group
Emergency Evacuation Sub-Committee
March 24, 2022 6:30pm
Minutes



Committee

Delores Chavez Harmes
Chair / VCCPG

LaVonne Norwood
Vice Chair / VCCPG

Lisa Adams
VCCPG / Mobility

Sgt. Michael Davis
SD Co. Sheriff

James Gordon
LAFCO/Community

Chief Joe Napier
Valley Center Fire

Chief Rick Johnson
Dear Springs Fire

BC Robert Reynolds
Cal Fire

Jim Courter
Great Valley Center
Fire Safe Council



Representatives

Adrienne Selekman
District 5 Representative

Ryan Sylvia
CAL Fire

Juan Escobar
CHP

A. Attendance: Dee Harmes, Lisa Adams, Sgt Mike Davis, Chief Johnson, BC Robert Reynolds, BC Adam Gettman.

B. Pledge of Allegiance: Meeting called to order at 6:35pm by Chair Harmes with the pledge.

C. Welcome & Introduction of Guests: Adrienne Selekman

D. Approval of Minutes: February 24, 2021 minutes moved to approve by Chief Reynolds with a second by Lisa Adams. Motion passes unanimously.

Public Comments: None

E. Action Items:

1. **Chair's Report:** Pauma Valley Country Club community is interested in learning more about our committee. Chief Napier and Chief Reynolds will be advised when PVCC is ready to receive more information and/or meet. The Ranch community will be utilized as part of the county wide emergency evacuation drills and training. More information provided by fire & sheriff committee members. Question for committee on hand outs to include in welcome packages to new home homeowners. Info will be sent to over by various agencies.
2. **VCFPD-Chief Napier:** No Report
3. **Deer Springs Fire Protection District-Chief Johnson:** Defensible space inspections will resume in April. This helps reduce spread of fire to vegetation and impact to residences. AGPASS AB1103 – upcoming legislation to allow ranchers to be able to get back to properties and livestock sooner during soft/hard closures. Law enforcement, fire, county OES are supporting this bill and have pulled together a working committee. Bill has been signed by governor and is now in the 180 day period. Supervisor Desmond provided board letter to daylight how our district will be benefit be effected by this bill. County wildland drill will take place in Valley Center.
4. **CAL Fire Update Station 71-Chief Reynolds:** Chief Reynolds has been promoted to Division Chief of the North County Division. Battalion Chief Adam Gettman will replace him. Station 71 continues to issue burn permits for clearances. Upstaffing will happen in next few weeks. A new captain who is familiar with the area is on board and has been in his new position for a few months.
5. **San Diego County Sheriff-Sgt. Mike Davis:** VCFPD is hosting a Wildland Safety Fire Drill which will take place April 25th thru 27th. Multi agencies will be participating including Valley Center Municipal Water District and SDGE, to name a few. A unified command along with various proctors and real-life scenarios will take place to practice handling these dangers situations. A lot is learned and taken away from these productive drills. Agencies from as far away as Imperial County will be involved.
6. **Community Action Network (CAN)-Lisa Adams:** Rodeo president spoke at last CAN meeting providing information on rodeo to take place at Star Valley Park on Memorial weekend. Superintendent Ron McGowan stated mask mandate has been removed for Valley Center school district. Wildfire training seminar will take place at the Valley Center library on March 26th.

F. New Business:

Question asked which evacuation maps are being utilized. Discussion followed with explanation on books, maps, public safety gridlocks & platforms utilized, etc.

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