# **Seaside Cert Meeting Notes:**

Date: Tuesday January 18, 2022 Planning Session #19, 5:00 pm @Bob Chisolm Center

Next Meeting: February 15th at 5pm at Bob Chisholm Community Center

**Attendees:** Su Coddington, Ken Hollenzer, Sally Hollenzer, Anne McBride, Cathy Turner, Kyle Gorman, Deborah Finn, Paul Finn, Eric Lindquist, Bob and Victoria Fuller

### **Action items:**

- committee members are Deborah Finn, Paul Finn, Kyle Gorman, Ken Hollenzer, and Sally Hollenzer
  - Mission Statement approved,
    - SEASIDE CERT Team Mission Statement
       Seaside Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is a group of trained
       volunteers who assist the public during times of need by responding to
       emergencies and events to support community resources.
  - Vision Statement was presented, discussed, and approved:

## SEASIDE CERT Team Vision Statement

Creates a culture of preparedness by increasing the knowledge and skills citizens need to safely handle disaster and emergency situations through education, training opportunities and preparedness.

## We achieve our vision through:

- Realistic training and exercises
- Learning to safely respond to man-made and natural hazards
- Promoting preparedness within our community

# *Members have the opportunity to provide the following assistance:*

- *Light search and rescue*
- Disaster medical operations
- Fire safety and utility controls
- *Leadership in disasters*
- Traffic and crowd management
- Disaster communications including HAM radio support
- Future presentations will include Fire Safety, Water Purification, January our speaker will be Genesee Dennis from the fire department talking about Fire Safety and follow up information on December Water Safety presentation.
- Minutes for October meeting Su
- Minutes for 12/21/2021 and 11/16/2021 reviewed and approved at the meeting
- Pictures and badges will be done at a future meeting
- CERT training postponed till spring, look for letter from Su. Dates to be confirmed. This is 20 hours of training, 4 Thursdays and one Sat

## Minutes from the Agenda items:

- Commencement/Administrative
  - Introductions and Roll Call completed
  - Minutes for November and December Approved

### Old Business

- New Members –welcome and updated sign in list for this meeting, turn in cards or email the <u>certseaside@gmail.com</u> to complete introductory information by each member
- Ham Radio Class reminder any new classes will be announced at future meetings
- Seaside CERT training and train the trainer currently on hold.

### New Business

- Future presentations that are coming are Fire Safety, other event evacuations or shelter in place Water Purification, Public Health, other suggestions are welcome.
- Access the Seaside CERT Public Website regularly for information.
  <a href="https://www.cityofseaside.us/emergency-preparedness-overview/pages/cert">https://www.cityofseaside.us/emergency-preparedness-overview/pages/cert</a>

CPR/AED Training see the Seaside website, it's 7 short training videos and test – then will need to meet at the fire station to complete the certification. Email <a href="mailto:certseaside@gmail.com">certseaside@gmail.com</a> if you are interested.

- Discussion and ideas about where CERT fits in maybe a survey of the group for topics
- Discussion about organizing ourselves,
  - Discussion to determine
    - Core leadership, work on the building blocks for the group
    - creating a primary contact and backups for call out,
    - chain of command,
    - who to call out,
    - how to communicate,
    - creation of phone trees
    - practice
  - what type of CERT (and/or CVT) group are we? Modular groups or emergency response or medical or other suggestions.
  - With a determination of our modules or emergency response; to work on the trainings (in additions to CERT training), certifications, practice for our group with the groups that we are here to support. Examples of other trainings and certifications are Shelter Training, Flagger training, CPR, CERT, and HAM radio.
  - Which radios are we going to use? FRS (1 watt), GMRS (2-4 watt) requires a 10 year license, or HAM radio (8 watts) requires Ham Radio License. Which do we prefer to use? it may be beneficial to use the GMRS radios in Seaside with the Seaside repeater and the benefit of local communications within Seaside not the broader communication with HAM.
- Gerhardt CERT would like to come to our meetings
- The LDS church is having Tom Hornig for a presentation Feb 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm for community members wanting to know how to create 72 hour kits.

#### **Announcements**

- STARS meeting 10am Jan 22nd @ Clatsop Community College training on how to program your radio
- Recommended reading: "This is a Chance!" 1964 Alaska Earthquake and "Waves and Beaches"
- **Discover our Coast and Coast Weekend.** Find out what's happening in your neck of the woods. There's always something fun to read in the coast weekend. Sign up at the bottom of the page for both publications. https://www.discoverourcoast.com/
- **Tom Horning presentation** was on October 12, at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center. Below is a brief opinion piece from the *Daily A* that was published on 10/16
- Here is the link to **Tom's Presentation**, click on the "Preparing for Tsunamis" box to watch it on YouTube: https://www.cityofseaside.us/emergency-preparedness-overview/pages/cert
- Article in the Signal about **Tom's presentation**, click on the link to watch <a href="https://www.seasidesignal.com/news/grim-scenarios-heighten-tsunami-urgency/article">https://www.seasidesignal.com/news/grim-scenarios-heighten-tsunami-urgency/article</a> 047790f8-2c4f-11ec-b70a-b77d228f22aa.html
- This <a href="https://www.cityofseaside.us/emergency-preparedness-overview/pages/cert">https://www.cityofseaside.us/emergency-preparedness-overview/pages/cert</a> is also your CERT page.
- **Ham News**. Here is the link to take/learn/practice the test: <a href="https://hamstudy.org/tech2018">https://hamstudy.org/tech2018</a> You'll be taking the technician class test. I used "Read the Questions" then took about 75 practice tests. Memory tests are a challenge for me. Watch for future announcements.
- **FRN Number**. Get it here before you go to class. https://apps.fcc.gov/coresWeb/publicHome.do.
- City of Seaside Emergency Preparedness website: <a href="https://www.cityofseaside.us/emergency-preparedness-overview">https://www.cityofseaside.us/emergency-preparedness-overview</a>. "Be Ready Seaside" see the big red button. Our message that I reinforce is: Know the Risks, Plan Ahead, and Build a Kit. Seaside CERT pages are available on this page.
- For direct access, the Seaside CERT website: <a href="https://www.cityofseaside.us/emergency-preparedness-overview/pages/cert">https://www.cityofseaside.us/emergency-preparedness-overview/pages/cert</a>
- Seaside CERT email address: <a href="mailto:certseaside@gmail.com">certseaside@gmail.com</a> Automatically sends an email to Su Coddington if you need to contact her, Anne McBride receives a Courtesy Copy notification of these emails.
- To contact Su directly use: suc1981@charter.net or for Anne use amcbride@cityofseaside.us.