



Citizen Corps Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 19, 2014
Independence Public Library
6361 Selig Blvd., Independence, Ohio 44131
2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Attendees (Voting Committee Members)

Table with 5 columns: NAME, Present, ASSOCIATION, ALTERNATE, Present. Rows include Rebecca Hysing, Sharon Nicastro, Marek Owca, Nicholas Phillips, Karen Seidman, Serena Steele, and Rick Whitehead.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / QUORUM DETERMINATION

Quorum present

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Karen Seidman and seconded by Sharon Nicastro to approve the minutes of the April 30, 2014, meeting. Yes: Nicastro, Seidman. No: None. Abstain: Hysing, Owca, Whitehead.

4. CITIZEN CORPS CORE CAPABILITIES / UASI STRATEGIC PLAN

Citizen Corps has been assigned to ESF #14 Long-term Recovery by the Cuyahoga County Office of Emergency Management. Accordingly, Citizen Corps will organize a long-term recovery group based on one of four models. Citizen Corps was also asked to provide capability levels for Housing and Mass Care.

**5. CREDENTIALING**

The Council discussed various options for volunteer background checks. A motion was made by Karen Seidman and seconded by Marek Owca to require checks to the national level, from the age of majority, using fingerprinting, to be repeated annually for volunteers in sensitive positions; and checks to the national level, from the age of majority, using Social Security Numbers, to be repeated every two years, for volunteers in non-sensitive positions. Yes: Hysing, Nicastro, Owca, Seidman, Whitehead. No: None. Abstain: None.

**6. TRAINING**

Sharon Nicastro proposed a list of courses as the Citizen Corps contribution to the Cuyahoga County Training and Exercise Planning Workshop and solicited additional courses from the Council.

**7. CITIZEN CORPS PROPOSAL**

Sharon Nicastro outlined a new structure for Citizen Corps that would include four branches: Affiliates, Liaisons, Partners, and Volunteers.

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS / OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**9. EXECUTIVE SESSION\***

None

**10. NEXT MEETING**

First quarter of 2015

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.