

KECT Team Meeting Agenda

City of Kirkland Office of Emergency Management

Date: 2/16/2022

Time: 18:00-19:00

Location: Zoom

Participants

Heather, Josh Saran, Bill Allison, Kevin Bishop, Gene Clow, Amy Heidner, Rich Krogh, Jym McMurdo, Howard, McVay, Rhett Robinson, Don Saylor.

City Updates

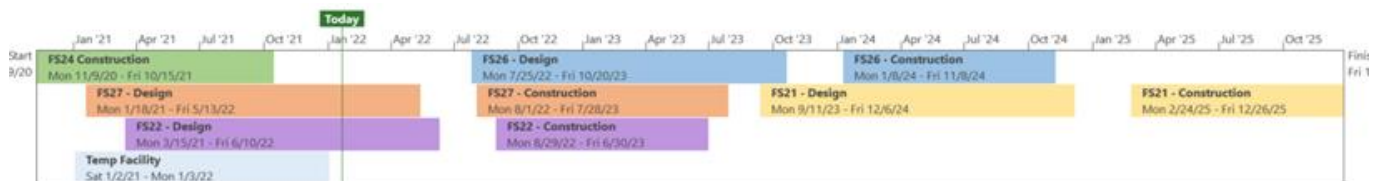
Staff updates – An offer has been made to a candidate for the Emergency Prep. Coordinator position. Hope to have them on board in mid-March.

Fire Station Remodels –

Demo has begun at the building current at the spot for new Sta 27, located just north of the Evergreen Medical Center ER.

Sta 22 is being relocated to a temporary station and the Radio box will be placed into storage during the construction. I will update when I have a specific time for the unit going out of service.

Station expected timelines –



Vaccination Policy – All personnel that are assigned or could work in the City EOC (Staff or volunteers) will be required to provide the City proof of vaccination. This is intended to support the highest level of protection during EOC activations. More information will be coming.

K7KFD – Vanity Call Sign – The FCC identified KECT is not an amateur radio “club” and therefore not eligible for a vanity call sign. The K7KFD sign has been put on hold, but after not finding any interest in the current KECT volunteers to establish and manage an official club, FCC has been informed it will no longer be used by Kirkland. They said it will not be reassigned for at least 3 years so there is time to change status if desired. This does create an issue for use of Winlink, so for now Josh has offered his call sign for team use. OEM will be in contact with FCC to see about options.

Training

EOC Orientation Refresher – Showed a short video to orient team to changes in the EOC layout and operation following lessons learned in COVID. Next month will try to have video of EOC radio capability.



2022 Activity Plan –

Discussion of opportunities for team engagement. Not sure all will work out but a heads up and looking for people to commit to staffing things.

Sunday Nets – OEM was told IT uploaded the 2022 schedule, but tonight was informed that has not occurred so will check on it ASAP. Thank you for your patience. Here is who is scheduled for the next few weeks:

2/20/22	Remote	Krogh	Richard	KJ7PKB
2/27/22	Remote	McMurdo	Jym	W7JYM
3/6/22	Remote	McVay	Howard	KD7MA
3/13/22	Remote	Rice	Mark	AG7HW
3/20/22	Remote	Robinson	Rhett	AG7KJ
3/27/22	Remote	Saran	Joshua	N7WPM

The goal is for the team to participate in the 5th Saturday Drills – April 30th, July 30th, Oct 29th and attempt an in-person drill for April. More details to come but mark the calendar.

The Cascadia Rising exercise will be June 14 – 16. Specific dates and times for KECT engagement include –

June 14th – 0900 – 1100 for the CPOD exercise

June 15th – 1300 – 1500 for the EOC exercise

June 16th – 900 – 1400 for the mass care exercise (exact times subject to change slightly)

We will talk more about signing up, the goal is to get as many members as possible involved. Please note – active participating members will get first priority for participation. This means you need to attend meetings and participate in nets and other activities to be included in the exercise.

CERT – OEM will be hosting multiple CERT classes this year and we will look for KECT staff to assist with the communications section and the final drill. Dates are being worked on and will be out at the next meeting.

Fourth of July – I have an inquiry in to see if there will be any activities and if we can find a role for KECT.

Friday/Wednesday Market – OEM will be having a “booth” at both markets a few times this season and will invite KECT members to help promote the team along with OEM staff and volunteers.

Others- Mentioned was the Cross Kirkland Bridge opening and the Annual Car Show, OEM will look into these options as well.



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A reminder was made that we should check on engagement with key partners in the area. OEM will reach out to Evergreen Hospital, Josh will reach out to LK WA Tech, and OEM will confirm capability with LK WA Schools.

Radio equipment at the Finn Hill church needs to be relocated to the Parks Maintenance Center. OEM will work with the church to plan a time for that.

Come Spring there will be a need to adjust and install roof antennae connections to the new radio boxes at all sites, volunteers will be needed to help with this project.

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Agenda Items

Fire Station update and pictures

EOC Radio Capability Video

Staff Introductions

Partner capability report

