

KECT Team Meeting Notes

City of Kirkland Office of Emergency Management

Date: 3/16/2022

Time: 18:00-19:00

Location: Zoom

City Updates

Staff – Welcome Carly Pacekonis as the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator. Please see her bio....

Carly is a passionate adventurer. She hails from her native Connecticut. Post college graduation, she packed up her things and moved to Washington in 2018. Since then, she has been employed as a wildland firefighter, and an environmental specialist as a part of FEMA supporting disaster recovery projects. Through her work in emergency management, Carly has developed a passion for helping to strengthen communities. Her work has brought her to California, Missouri, and Nevada. In her free time, she enjoys the outdoors, cooking new recipes, board games, meeting as many dogs as possible (as well as the people attached to them) and is a long-time ocean lover. Carly is enthusiastic to grow her experience as a lifelong learner and start working with the Kirkland team as an Emergency Preparedness Coordinator.

Carly started March 16th and will be taking lead on support to KECT. Look forward to meeting her “online” at the April meeting.

Net schedule online – Amy was able to get the updated 2022 net schedule online! Please take a look and make note of you assigned dates! If you are unable to lead a net, please work with team members to arrange for someone to cover the net.

Fire Station Remodels – Station updates are in process you can see updates and photos at <https://www.kirklandwa.gov/Government/Departments/Public-Works-Department/Construction-Projects> scroll down the list and select the station of your interest.

COVID Operations - Most City facilities are open to the public normal hours (no fire stations yet). Masks are welcome at City facilities but not required by public or staff. The City will continue to offer virtual and hybrid services, including council meetings.

Cascadia Rising - KECT will be engaging in 2 exercises during the week of June 13th. Next month we will ask for members to sign up for June 14th 9-11 (play with Bellevue HAM team) Lake WA Tech and June 16th 9-1300 NK Comm Center (shelter operations comms support).

Training

EOC Radio Capability – Showed short video of current EOC Radio set up options.

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HAM Fest Report – Josh – Additional dates and locations for finding “the perfect thing”.

May 14 in Stanwood, June in SeaTac.



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Team recruitment – Brainstormed ideas for engaging new members. If you have additional ideas, please send them in. Some ideas – Direct reach to newly licensed HAMs, promote in CERT classes (CERT starting back up in May), Farmer’s Markets, LWHC.

Future Meetings – Discussed the idea of meeting in person. Recommendation was made to leave time at 6pm and keep some meetings virtual. So will propose 2 months virtual focused on training and discussions with 1 month focused on hands on skills each quarter. Location is TBD – Sta 22 is not an option 😊 so possibly City Hall or KJC.

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April 20, 2022 | 18:00-19:00 | Zoom

