

Disaster & Fire Safety Commission
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, January 23, 2019
997 Cedar Street, Berkeley, CA 94710

Present: Paul Degenkolb, Gradiva Couzin, Bob Flasher, Toni Stein, Victoria Legg, Annie Bailey, Robert Golomb, Ruth Grimes

Absent:

Staff: Khin Chin, Keith May, Jaime Albrecht

Public: Nancy Rader, Kelly Hammargren, Shirley Dean, Dan Dean, Mike Hoey, Sarah Jones

Preliminary Matters

Call to Order

P. Degenkolb called meeting to order at 7:03 pm

Approval of the Agenda

Approved by Acclamation.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Mike Hoey said that Berkeley Disaster Preparedness Neighborhood Network' next meeting will feature a presentation on walkie talkie communications. Geoff Lomax will present on GMRS and Ham radio for emergency communications. Lynn Zummo will present on Northern Alameda County Amateur Radio Emergency Services (NALCO).

Shirley Dean said that agenda materials should be accessible to the public prior to the meeting via posting on the Commission website.

1. Fire Department and Office of Emergency Services Staff Report

A small fire in District 1 started with a smell of smoke but resulted in a fully involved garage.

The YMCA had a small boiler room fire that was put out by an employee.

A fire on telegraph was started by a candle. The fire was extinguished by sprinklers. Most of the property damage was caused by the water from sprinklers.

Consent Items

2. Approval of Draft Minutes of December 5, 2018*

Motion approve minutes as submitted: T. Stein

Second: G. Couzin

Vote: 6 Ayes: Degenkolb, Flasher, Legg, Stein, Bailey, Couzin; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 2

Abstain: Grimes, Golomb.

Action Items

3. Support for Wildfire Evacuation, Emergency Alerting, and Public Education*
Continued to next meeting for further discussion.

Discussion Items

4. Local Hazard Mitigation Plan
5. Access and Functional Needs Considerations for Emergency Evacuation
6. Hills Fire Safety
7. Future Agenda Items

R. Grimes left the meeting at 859pm.

Adjournment

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Couzin

Second: Stein

Vote: 8 Ayes: Degenkolb, Flasher, Stein, Bailey, Couzin, Legg, Grimes, Golomb; 0

Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.

Adjourned at 9:16pm