

Emergency Management Minutes, 12/11/2012

Members present: Don Sheldon, George Miller, Martin Halvorsen, Luther Young, Thomas Palmer, Clyde Zaidins, Ann Thoreson and John Williams. Recent activities since the last meeting (11/27/12) were presented. On 11/30/12 Martin Halvorsen and John Williams went to the Ham Radio Outlet in Portland and acquired the equipment for the emergency ham station at the SHOA office. Chris Hanson devised a drawing for the Tower and antenna which was to be submitted to the Architecture Committee on the following Tuesday. Martin Halvorsen also submitted an alternative drawing of the tower and antenna. Chris informed us that the Architecture committee didn't think a variance was necessary if the design was within county codes. There remained a concern about whether the 28' tower-antenna would draw in the radio repeaters. It was determined that the 5 watt handheld radios were able to get a good signal in the SHOA boardroom, so that the Yaesu FT-8800R would most likely pick up a good signal. Martin Halvorsen presented further options for erecting the tower –antenna. While our meeting was to be about writing a protocol for the response of the volunteers for the emergency management committee and the community relations committee, there was a lack of consensus as to what would constitute a plan. Ann Thoreson agreed to begin building a working manual for emergency management that would include our adopted charter, and relevant portions from county prepared documents insofar as they relate to emergency management and Surfside response to emergencies. The document would also contain the SHOA Water Department's plan for emergencies. In the interim before our next meeting, we will hope to move forward on the installation of the generator and the emergency ham station. Addendum: Martin Halvorsen has donated a mobile antenna that bne effective until we the antenna set up.