

Minutes for SHOA Emergency Management Committee Tuesday June 30, 2020

By Conference Call

Members Present: Louise Purdin, Al Franklin, Terri Daniels, Walt Platt, Tom Brazier Venita Brazier, Allen Gifford, Tom Reber, John Williams

1. We decided to go forward with the Tsunami Run Walk on Saturday, August 29, 2020. Because of the corona virus, changing circumstance might require the cancellation of the event for this year. In keeping with the issues of safety, the chair has decided to make a limit to the number of participants at 20. We will this year only, require preregistration. Once 20 persons have registered, registration will end. Also, no registrations will be accepted after Thursday, August 27 at noon. We'll need to contact the person to direct traffic, the fire department for the EMTs, the Surfside Inn, the Golf Course and Gil for the traffic cones and get the things (medals, water and other prizes)
2. On May 30, 2020, the 5th Saturday, Surfside amateur radio operators participated in a County wide exercise. Because of the pandemic, each person worked from their home.
3. On June 5, 2020, John and Al went to a home on G Street that had a backhoe on the premises. Our intent was to get a sense of what was happening. Backhoes are often used for dune removal/modification. We asked the owner for permission to speak to them. We were asked to stay off the property. We retreated to the street, where the owner came to talk to us. The owner decided to show us the permit from the county. The permit would allow the work that was being done. The dunes were not planned to be modified. We agreed that the owner had done the appropriate steps regarding the work being done. It was suggested that we ask the board to address having any modifications in the area near the dunes, that some entity within Surfside consider applications prior to the person seeking a permit from the County. This intermediate process at Surfside is to ensure that the member be fully aware of the county's process, and also inform Surfside about the modification. This should be a relief to both the members and the applicant and that there is an openness of information.
4. On June 6, a testing was being done for advanced licenses for amateur radio. Venita Brazier and Tom Brazier successfully passed the General Test, making them eligible to utilize HF frequencies. Allen Gifford pass the Extra test. The Extra license is the highest license available in Amateur radio.
5. On June 17, Annette Deleese and her husband helped remove the long storage dried foods for emergency use and transferred them to John's Jeep, and were taken to the emergency management storage shed, where he and Al Franklin, Louise Purdin, and Terri Daniels placed the goods onto the storage bins. Al did some work on the door and indicated that he would return to stabilize the door.
6. The tsunami evacuation signs should be in the process of being ordered. Tom Reber said that he is currently in the process of ordering the signs.
7. The next committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday July 28, probably by way of a conference call.