

The City of Columbia City

In Columbia County on the Columbia River

Hazard Mitigation Planning Group

Meeting Minutes – **June 26, 2024** - 6:00 p.m. City Hall, 1840 Second Street Columbia City, Oregon 97018

Citizen Members		City Staff Members
□ Gary Hudson	(Chairman)	
□ Chip Dryden	(Vice Chairman)	☐ Micah Rogers, Columbia City Public Works
	(Secretary)	Columbia County Members
□ Connie Quick	(City Council Rep)	☐ Josh Allen, Environmental Public Health
	(Member at Large)	☐ Corey Padron, Emergency Management
☐ Margie Korpella	(Member at Large)	☐ Eric Smythe, Columbia River Fire & Rescue
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(⊠ Meeting Attendees)

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- Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Gary Hudson
- Guest attendee: Less Snow, citizen of Columbia City
- Previous meeting minutes approved
- August 10 Community Prepared Fair
 - Jerry has reached out to Sherif's office, CCOM, CAT team, CERT team, Fire Dept, Team Robicom, Forestry Svc and Red Cross. No responses yet. Will send follow-up email and make phone calls to confirm participation.
 - Hoping one of above groups will offer a basic emergency prep, self-rescue type demo for participants. Or at minimum informative brochures. Need more education around sheltering in place and evacuation during disaster. Perhaps CERT, Fire dept or ODF could provide. Red Cross also has some great educational resources.
 - Jerry will coordinate 2nd street road closure to ensure participant safety.
- St Helen's CERT has now expanded as Columbia County CERT. Chip working with Cory to identify what resources they have available to support our community.
- Jazzmin will spearhead a potential "Get to know your neighbors" program for pulling the community together. Discussed ideas like outdoor potlucks, and gathering details of who's who and what their specialty skills are. Needs to be fun and interactive.
- Upcoming activities:
 - Veteran's coffee every Thursday at the Bunker
 - Veteran's breakfast 1st Fridays at Elks Lodge. July will be on the 12th
 - ➤ July 4th at McCormic Park 2 pm ringing of the bells. Frank keynote speaker

- Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 24, 6pm (off schedule week). Topic will be final coordination and planning for summer celebration. Jerry and Chip will lead discussion as Gary will not be in attendance.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm.