

## The City of Columbia City

In Columbia County on the Columbia River

## **Hazard Mitigation Planning Group**

Meeting Minutes – **March 26, 2025** - 6:35 p.m. City Hall, 1840 Second Street Columbia City, Oregon 97018

Citizen Members		City Staff Members
	(Chairman)	
☐ Vacant	(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
		☐ Cindy Turula, GIS Specialist

(⊠ Meeting Attendees)

- Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Gary Hudson.
- o January 28 meeting minutes approved.
- Chip Dryden has resigned from role as Vice Chairman. Creation of a small Community Emergency Response Plan temporarily paused. Corey to assist.
- Fire mitigation- It has been determined through research of local ordinances, and discussions with the Oregon Department of Forestry, we are unable to address citizens concerns with branches hanging over fence lines. It has been suggested to various citizens that they seek legal advice to resolve the issues.
- Prepared Fair August 9, 2025, will be the 25th Columbia City Celebration
- Discussed space needs. Space along 2<sup>nd</sup> Street curb in front of school entrance to corner near museum might be an option.
- Jerry to send invitations to same folks as last year including Sheriffs Office, CCOM, CAT team, CERT team, Fire Dept, State Forestry, and Red Cross. Contact with Corey and Mike Russell from County Public Works will be made to see if they can provide any swag items to give out at the event.
- Corey Padron will ask Lonnie if he will be willing to present on (Home Preparedness) prior to a major event. Corey will provide a Map your neighborhood booklet. Corey has access to tents and generators if needed.
- Identify someone to provide a self-rescue informational/training activity.
- Jazzmin and Corey team up to increase marketing. Contact the Chamber of Commerce to see about advertisement. Potential live broadcast by Ham Radio operators.
- Other ideas: Have a booth for the Columbia City Mayor, or other elected officials that want to attend.
- Next meeting will be April 30th, 2025
- Adjourned at 7:18 pm.