



**SANTA CLARA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGERS  
ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**Thursday, January 10, 2019**

**9:00 a.m. Networking**

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**Santa Clara County Sheriff's Auditorium**

**55 W. Younger Ave, San Jose**

**DRAFT Minutes**

1. Meeting called to order at 935am by President Schoenthal

2. Welcome/Safety Briefing/Introductions

3. Changes to the Agenda – None

4. Approval of December 13 meeting minutes

MOTION to approve – Ken Hulick

SECOND – Nathan Rainey

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5. Announcements

- Richard Wong- City of San Jose has a new preparedness program.
- Paul Marshall- Reid Hillview will have a logistics air transport Table Top exercise or plane launch on April 27
- Ann Hepenstal – Los Altos Community & Emergency Preparedness Grant Program to Los Altos residents to fund a project in their neighborhood to improve emergency preparedness, strengthen crime prevention, and build community connections.

6. Presentations on the Camp Fire in Butte County:

Nathan Rainey-City of Palo Alto Office of Emergency Services (OES)- Paradise Fire presentation. Nathan was the Logistics Chief for initial recovery efforts in the Paradise Emergency Operations Center (EOC) which was in Chico. Camp Fire was a massive firestorm that swept through Pulga, Concow, Magalia, and Paradise (Butte County). On November 25, the fire was 100% contained. 14,000-18,000 properties destroyed, and 153,336 acres burned. 26,000 paradise residents evacuated and 86 deaths.

Lessons learned include: the ability to post items in the EOC was very important; bringing an official agency vehicle rather than a personal vehicle was also very beneficial; when deployed-focus on bringing processes with you to assist the organization

Rick Filippuzzi-County of Santa Clara Public Health Department. Rick was the Plans Chief in the Butte County Medical/Health Department Operations

Center. 23% of the population evacuated. 50% of County employees evacuated creating an impact to workforce. Feather River hospital patients were evacuated. Ambulance Strike Teams were requested to support the evacuation. Jurisdictional assessment: Demographics 43% of population disabled or elderly. Government organization: 1/10 size of Santa Clara County. Representatives from FEMA, CalOES, California Department of Public Health (CDPH), and California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) were there. Public needed social services & employment departments

Lessons Learned include: "Go big" with staffing first, then scale back, this is easier than starting small and ramping up positions; know the power may come and go; you can expect the air will be smoky in the EOC for such a wildland fire response, planning for air scrubbers is important, having air scrubbers in the Emergency Resource Directory in advance is advisable for areas prone to wildfires.

Noted: The Statewide Medical Health Exercise on Nov 21 will be a flood scenario this year. All hospitals will be participating. Applicable EOCs may want to activate to practice supporting hospitals.

#### 7) President's Report & EOAC – Lisa Schoenthal

a. Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Training and Exercise (T& E) Program is in jeopardy. Ad hoc committee meeting meets today to discuss the future of the training program being administered in Alameda County. In February, the Alameda Board of Supervisors will meet. No future trainings will be scheduled until resolved.

b. New Board Members Transition. Will have Orientations for Secretary and Treasurer positions on 1/29. We will create new position checklists. New Board members are:

President - Lisa Schoenthal  
Vice President - Dan Bobier  
Secretary – Graciela Hernandez  
Treasurer – Jim Oberhofer  
At Large – Ryan Yin  
At Large – Rick Filippuzzi

c. Host for February 14 EMA meeting:

Paul Marshall & Ken Hulick refreshments.

**Next month's meeting will feature a panel of EOC responders to the Camp Fire who will continue our discussion of lessons learned from this devastating fire.**

Lisa noted that next month's meeting may go past 11:30 am but will conclude before noon.

d. Treasurer – Jim Oberhofer- Will need to close out 2018. New Balance is \$3,807.85.

e. Membership link will be sent out for members to pay dues.

f. Santa Clara County (SCC) OES & Operational Area Signatories (OAS) report- The Homeland Security Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Grant cycle 2019 started. OAS looking at projects at the end of the month and will vote on projects.

g. College Football Playoff National Championship Game at Levi's stadium-

Lisa Schoenthal- San Jose had the heavy lift. The game went very well with fewer security incidents than an NFL game. The EOC was partially activated on game day only and the Action Plan was posted in WebEOC. Situation Reports (Sit Reps) that were input may be accessed through the Web EOC OA Significant Events board. The EOC has real time situational awareness with GIS for all events that occur at the stadium. There was no rain impact to the game.

Dan Bobier- The planning process for the game was 18 months. Good attendance and it went well. On game day, there was a 3:00 am stand up with double shifts at Levi's. The game was sold out with 74,000. The stadium was packed. For Medical, there were 5 people were taken by ambulance to hospital. There were 1,000 more workers than on normal game days to be prepared for anything though the stadium was calm. As a region "We Shined."

8) CERT Subcommittee- Jeff Walker & Jennifer Ponce met last week to discuss goals for group. Meeting is scheduled for 1/22 to discuss mission, what to accomplish, improve CERT programs, share best practices. Looking for a new chair for committee.

9) EMPG Project-Ivan Williams- for CERT OP Area wide equipment & support County-wide exercise. Any ideas please pass on to Ivan/Jennifer for 2019.

10) New Business- Jim Wollbrinck from San Jose Water- Invested interest to Cal water, Great Oaks, and SJ Water for water communication issues related to fires in Shasta Trinity, Orville etc. Summer heat will cause carbon to go into reservoirs so algae blooms which would affect our water supply.

11) Old business- Lisa Schoenthal discussed in the last monthly meeting David Flamm provided an update for WebEOC. The County is working with Juvare, the Web EOC vendor and has made recommendations to improve the system. Jay McAmis has left the County OES and now works in San Jose's Office of Emergency Management. Jay has stated strong interest in continuing to work on improving Web EOC as Lisa has County OES staff will update at the next meeting.

## 9. Old Business

a. Bylaws – Will be presented to membership in January for questions. And then there will be an electronic vote to approve changes.

10. MOTION to adjourn meeting – Lisa Schoenthal

SECOND – Ken Hulick

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Meeting adjourned at 11:35