

**Emergency Services Council Meeting  
Minutes January 21, 2021**

**Video Link:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5wJ6F1TXkg0>

The Emergency Services Council meeting was called to order by President Canepa at 5:30 pm.  
Roll Call was taken.

Members Present:

Davina Hurt	Belmont
Karen Cunningham	Brisbane
Ann Keighran	Burlingame
Diana Colvin	Colma
Lisa Gauthier	East Palo Alto
Jon Froomin	Foster City
Deborah Penrose	Half Moon Bay
Cecilia Taylor	Menlo Park
Sue Vaterlauss	Pacifica
John Richards	Portola Valley
Rico Medina	San Bruno
John Dugan	San Carlos
David Canepa	County of San Mateo

Members Not Present:

Glen Sylvester	Daly City
Marie Chuang	Hillsborough
Ann Schneider	Millbrae
Lisette Espinoza Garnica	Redwood City
Joe Goethals	San Mateo
Sean Scott	Woodside

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes from October 1, 2020

Moved, seconded, approved - Unanimous

**County Update:** Mike Callagy - County Manger

OES was recently moved from the Sheriff's Office to the County Manager's Office. This will necessitate updating the JPA agreement. This will also require the separation of equipment and moving of budgets. The revised JPA Agreement will be prepared and brought to the April meeting for the Council's approval.

**Update on CZU Fire and Debris Flow:** Dan Belville – EOC Operations Chief

EOC has fulfilled over 2000 Resource Requests during the 10 months that it has been opened. These requests have ranged from security missions to the purchase of protective equipment. Rainfall in the burn scar area poses a risk of debris flows. Similar burn scar debris flows in Southern California have caused devastating damage and death. As a precautionary measure, an evacuation was conducted in the areas at greatest risk of debris flow. Fortunately, weather patterns were favorable and a debris flow did not occur. Remediation and debris removal are continuing in the burn scar area.

The County worked with the State and the community in processing through Phase I of the removal of hazardous debris and is currently in the process of Phase II – removal of general debris. Virtual Town Halls were conducted by the County and CalFire to provide the community with accurate and timely information. Mr. Belville showed a map of rain forecasted for next week, with an increased risk of debris flow, and referred to the potential use of evacuation plans implemented for residents several months earlier.

**Update on COVID Incident and Vaccine:** Dan Belville – EOC Operations Chief and CMO Callagy

As vaccine became available, the County established a mass vaccination site at the County Event Center, which was the first drive through site in the state. The operation was capable of vaccinating hundreds of people per day, proving the concept viable. Mike Callagy described it as, “Amazing to see, like clockwork”. Other counties throughout the region are observing SM’s mass vaccination site in preparation of establishing their own drive through sites. We are leaning forward and already making plans for larger sites, as well as neighborhood ‘Pop-Up’ vaccination sites, including mobile units.

**Update on Alert Participants:** Jeff Norris

‘Opt-In’ participation continues to grow in all communities. Recent legislative updates improve the ability to use utility data to augment ‘Opt-In’ subscribers. ‘Reverse 9-1-1’ and the ‘Integrated Public Alert and Warning System’ (IPAWS) and ‘Wireless Emergency Alerts’ (WEA) were used extensively during the CZU Fires. In some areas where there are no land-line phones or cellular coverage, the County provided residents with NOAA ‘All Hazard Radios’.

The meeting was adjourned by President Canepa at 6:35.

The complete video of the meeting is available on the Office of Emergency Services YouTube channel, using the link at the top of these minutes.