

Town of Seabrook Island  
Public Safety Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
17 June 2019

The Public Safety Committee met Monday, 17 June 2019 beginning shortly after 10:00 am at the conference room at Town Hall. Committee Chair John Gregg was joined by Committee members Ed Maher and Allan Keener. Town Councilman Skip Crane and Town Administrator Joe Cronin also attended the meeting. An agenda for the meeting is attached.

1. Minutes of 13 May Meeting

Minutes of the Committee meeting of 13 May were approved as presented.

2. CEP Update

Mr. Gregg commented in respect of the 2019 update of the Town's Comprehensive Emergency Plan ("CEP"), noting that copies of updated pages had been provided to Disaster Recovery Council representatives at the 4 June training session. Mr. Maher provided copies of a recent Post & Courier article regarding changes in tropical storm modeling recently adopted by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

3. Memorandum of Understanding (Town and SIPOA)

The Committee began consideration of review and revision of the Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") between the Town and SIPOA that was entered into in 2013. It was noted that an impetus for the review was updated guidance from FEMA in respect of reimbursement of costs incurred for clearance of debris from private property roadways to allow safe passage for emergency vehicles. It was noted that FEMA guidance requires both a current "Right of Entry" agreement and indemnification for claims against the Federal government. In addition to those considerations, it was noted that the 2013 agreement included references to operating conditions ("OPCON(s)") that are now outdated in consequence of changes adopted by the State, County and Town. Members of the Committee were asked to consider the FEMA guidance, the Town's applicable ordinance and the MOU to develop suggestions for revisions to the MOU.

4. EPA Guide for Debris Management Planning

The Committee was reminded of the request to consider the EPA Guide for Debris Management Planning with the objective of making a determination as to whether development of a debris management for the Town would be beneficial. It was noted that FEMA information relating to debris removal from private property appeared to encourage development of debris management plans. Mr. Cronin was asked to indicate whether he thought planning for the Town might be better approached with reference to debris management plans of other governments. Mr. Cronin provided a link for the Hilton Head Debris Management Plan. That plan will be shared with Committee members for their reference.

5. Task Force Checklist

Mr. Gregg reminded the Committee that they had been asked to comment in respect of the proposed Task Force checklist distributed for the 13 May Committee meeting. In response to Mr. Crane's inquiry as to status of the proposed Task Force, Mr. Gregg replied that scheduling of an initial meeting had not yet been arranged.

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6. Extra-Agenda Discussion

Mr. Crane inquired as to installation of the Town's HAM radio retrieved from the Tahoe recently sold to the newly acquired Tahoe. It was noted that there was no provision for mounting the radio in the new vehicle and that Charleston County could perform installation of an antenna for the Town. It was suggested that a magnetic base antenna could be used to avoid alterations to the vehicle. It was agreed that tests would be made to assess the suitability of a magnetic base antenna.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for 10:00 am on Monday, 8 July 2019.

8. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at about 11:55 am.

## MEETING

### Public Safety Committee

17 June 2019 at 10:00 am at Town Hall (Conference Room)

## AGENDA

1. Minutes from 13 May 2019 meeting
2. Status of CEP 2019 Updates
3. TOSI-SIPOA Memorandum of Understanding
4. EPA Debris Planning Guideline
5. Task Force Checklist
6. Next Meeting
7. Adjourn