

ELEC Meeting Minutes for January 3rd 2022

The Meeting was held in the Community Room. Present were Larry Rosenblum, Forrest Gist and Bob Garsha.

Larry started off the meeting by saying Tip 6 is now in its final draft and ready for distribution. We were all pleased and once it is released Larry will post it on the website. There was a small discussion on keeping its look similar to previous tips. So, we agreed a highlighted box would work. And some bold facing fonts. We also agreed because the Tip will be archived on the website to strike any mention of Patti's talk. Her talk will eventually be posted on the website. Larry said he would send Tip 6 to CMI for all resident distribution.

Bob announced Patti Garsha's talk will be held January 25 on zoom we agreed 6 PM was a good time slot.

Considering Psychological Factor's in Disaster Preparedness and Recovery.

Bob will work with Michele Heckman to create a flyer to go to all residents January 15th and then another the 23rd with the zoom link. Bob will also post flyers around the building to support the announcement. Forrest agreed that getting it out early with a few reminders is a good idea.

Larry reminded us the FAQ box is now active on the website. At this point it's a place holder we agreed it needs more content. Some will be forthcoming like Patti's talk. Larry urged us and we agreed to revisit any Q&A we have so that content can go on the FAQ part of the ELEC page.

Larry told us via John Warner that the city would reimburse to us any gloves and masks we donated. There is a fixed amount allocated to the Pearl via the PDNA and what we actually receive will be in proportion to the total reimbursement requested. Having asked Teresa and Eric who had no memory of this he told us Susan Towers was involved. Bob said he is in contact with Susan and would reach out to her for information. Larry also said we can take inventory of what we have and then know what is missing was donated. And we will claim that if no better estimate is available.

Forrest asked us thinking ahead now that it is 2022 are there any long-term big picture goals we want to accomplish for this year.

Larry suggested as he has in the past that we develop consistent modules of our disaster preparedness plan. Modules on each component like what would a triage unit look like? The plan for waste and trash disposal. How do you deal with security?

Larry thought the slack channel in the Pearl can help us by asking other buildings about their plan. Larry also reminded us there is a manual on the website created by the emergency volunteers before Elec was formed.

Forrest consolidated these thoughts by saying we have this older material and we are creating new material so we can make a collective document.

For 2022 Bob suggested we hold Four ELEC Talks throughout the year. Starting with Patti's and we find professionals to be featured. Bob suggested an Insurance Review Talk on your Unit. He also suggested a "Go Bag Wallet Talk" if we are out of power or out of the building how do your finances flow. Finally, an Emergency Doctor Talk to review what to expect if there are injuries during an event.

Forrest suggested we do the Insurance Talk next. We all agreed. We know we have to run this by the Board and it may be the perfect time to have the building's insurance agent join us. He at least knows where the building insurance ends and the insurance for each unit should begin. We are aware that insurance is a hot topic for the Board so we will need to be patient and watch the building's insurance questions resolve.

We all committed to whatever talk is held it will be informational only we will not be bringing in someone who has a financial stake in selling something. We noted that we want to keep any talk focused on what is within ELEC's purview.

Bob Mentioned that the Board has tasked ELEC with coming up with Floor Directional Signs so a first responder will know which way to turn to reach a lower # apartment and which way to turn to reach a higher # apartment. He is working with Fast Signs to just get an operational idea. With Covid the response time has been slow. Done right they can not only enhance the look of the floor but be used by visitors and repairmen when they are sent up by the concierge.

Bob brought up Tip 7. Larry did some research on pets and even if it's only 25 % of the residents with pets everyone knows someone who has a pet. Plus, we have an emergency pet talk on our website. We could place the link to that talk in Tip 7. We agreed that will be our next tip.

Our next drill will be an evacuation of a floor. There will be a weighted dummy and a stuffed pet. It will be up to the participants to not only find the injured person {dummy} but the pet as well. And get them to safety not only is this good practice but it keeps our volunteers engaged. Larry said with Omicron we should wait until there is some relief from the contagiousness of this new variant. Forrest and Bob agreed. We said we do this a Saturday morning in the future.

Forrest suggested we do a drill to become acquainted with a planned shutdown of some building systems that will not affect residents but we will learn about infrastructure protocols. This also led us to discuss educating residents on what to do in your Unit in a fire emergency but you are not being evacuated. Perhaps another presentation by the Fire Marshall who assisted us in our last evacuation drill.

Larry brought up the need for an understanding of filters for high filtrations of particles. Forrest remembered a Facebook discussion on Merv filters. The higher the Merv rating the better the trapping of specific particles. Larry said Merv 11-15 works for our HVacs anything higher may over work the Unit.

Larry and Forrest agreed that could be Tip 8.

Larry brought up the issue of developing post-quake plans for how we deal with trash, human waste, security, medical triage and psychological first aid. He noted that he found the pet information on the Slack channel and hoped to solicit plans the other e -prep groups might have. Forrest asked what we currently had and Larry noted that the existing plan is on our website but it doesn't really deal with these issues. Forrest volunteered to review it and see what might be of use and what gaps exist.

Larry will lead the ELEC presentation at the next HOA meeting January 18th we discussed sequencing. Forrest mentioned how about a talk on Cyber Security. We acknowledged that is a good idea but does it fall in our ELEC category.

We adjourned after one hour.