

**Town of Fairfax
Citizens Disaster Council**

**Tuesday, November 14,2006
10 a.m.-12 noon
Youth Center
16 Park Road**

Minutes

In attendance: Mayor Susan Brandborg, Linda Kelly, Town Manager, Maria Baird, Community Resources Coordinator, Cynthia Powell, Police Department Roger Meagor, Craig Carroll, Ross Valley Fire Department, Gail Wiemann, Fairfax Library, Jon Marchant, Tessa Burns, Red Cross

Mayor Brandborg convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. The October 16th minutes were approved.

1. Discussion of Pandemic flu presentation-Linda did a wrap-up of the presentation. Copies of the handout were available.
2. Sandbagging by Drake High School students-Maria announced some students were coming to fill sandbags for the Town on November 15th. They will be once again available in the Pavilion parking lot to merchants, early this year. The town will reserve 50 bags for its own use.
3. Inspection of Pavilion by Red Cross-based on the MOU of the Pavilion as a disaster shelter. A representative of the Red Cross evaluated the building on November 9th. A request was made for a shelter trailer to be available in Fairfax. Tessa announced that 4 trailers were distributed throughout the County. She mentioned that shelter training had been completed by the following CERT members: Jon Marchant, Penny Clark & Cindy Swift.
4. Update on Ross Valley Watershed Group-efforts to reduce future flooding risk-Linda distributed a new brochure produced by the group. On November 15th there will be a special council meeting to discuss joining Flood Zone 9, something the town opted out of during the 1950's, when the Army Corps of Engineers established this special flood zone district. Most likely a ballot measure will be presented next year.
5. Upcoming CERT training classes:
Craig announced there were 5 classes coming up. CERT will be updated on the website. He distributed the goals of the CERT program (attached). He cited some other communities, such as Tiburon, which has trained 2300 residents. The Tiburon Fire Department has trained 240 volunteers

to teach CERT classes. There was discussion of on-line course completion, in case residents cannot make the classes. Red Cross announced they could offer “train the trainer”, in an effort to get more people CERT trained. The goal of the agency is to have 1 in 4 Bay Area residents CERT trained.

6. 2007 Disaster Preparedness Calendar-Maria announced that \$850 had been raised to date for this project, with another \$1150 committed. After much discussion, it was agreed that the calendar was too expensive to produce, given the limited budget. Craig, Maria and Linda will explore reproducing the Disaster Preparedness pamphlet from the Salvation Army.
7. Next meeting
Scheduled for Tuesday, December 12th at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Center.