

OSSPAC MINUTES-DRAFT
March 10, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in Room 50 at the Capitol.

OSSPAC Members Present:

Gerry Williams, Chair	CEM Research, Inc. (Public member)
Deborah Boone	(Stakeholder: legislative assembly)
James Doane	(Stakeholder: Utilities)
Tom Manning	(Public Member)
Gary Milliman	(Stakeholder: local government)
Richard Rogers	Building Codes (State Agency)
Susan Steward	(Stakeholder: Building Owners)
Althea Turner	Oregon Emergency Management (State Agency)
Mark Tyler	(Stakeholder: school district/community college/university)
Yumei Wang	DOGAMI (State agency: geology & mineral industries)
Kent Yu	(Stakeholder: structural engineer)

OSSPAC Members Absent:

Carl Farrington, Vice Chair	(Stakeholder: multi-family housing)
Rose Gentry	Department of Transportation (State Agency)
Fred Girod	(Stakeholder: legislative assembly)
Diane Merten	(Public Member)
Autumn Rudisel	Lewis & Clark Bank (Stakeholder: banking)
Chris Shirley	(State agency: land conservation and development)

Others in Attendance:

James Bela	Oregon Earthquake Awareness
Bev Hall	Oregon Emergency Management
Brian Knight	Miyamoto International
Vicki McConnell	DOGAMI
Al Newnam	Oregon Community College and Workforce Development
Michael Patterson	Port of Portland
Tom Peterson	Port of Portland
Randy Prince	Public
Donna Tyner	Port of Portland

1. **Administrative Matters**

1a. **Welcome and Introductions**

Gerry Williams, Chair, opened the meeting and led in introductions.

1b. **Review and Approval of Minutes for January 13, 2009**

Having a quorum present, the minutes were approved as written.

1c. **Unfinished Business - Vacancies**

Bev Hall will contact Eric Corliss to see if he is interested in Bert Kile's vacancy from the American Red Cross.

1d. **Events Notification**

Tom Manning reminded people of the Cascadia Peril Exercise the end of April. April 24-26 Tillamook and Clatsop Counties are establishing a joint EOC with the Oregon Military Department at Camp Rilea. They will work with OMD's Joint Task Force and specialized communications assets to establish alternate communications with OMD's Joint Operation Center and the State ECC in Salem.

(Kelly Jo Craigmiles from OEM provided the following summary: Cascadia Peril is moving forward as planned for the April 24-30 dates. There are over 200+ entities participating during that time frame. The State ECC portion of the exercise, which are recovery focused tabletops, has been moved to July 7-10. During April the State ECC will have staff serving as a simulation cell to support the local, state, federal and private sector partners who will be conducting both response and recovery exercises.

The State ECC exercise move to July will have no impact on any of the jurisdictional exercises being conducted in April. Cascadia Peril has always been an exercise planned for the State ECC and the 20+ OERS Council agencies. OEM provided an opportunity for other partners to participate at their own level and play off of our scenario, as well as to be supported by our planning team, which includes assisting in the development, execution, and evaluation of jurisdictional exercises).

Althea Turner informed the Commission of her "Tsunami Roadshow" she is organizing April 4-10 for Earthquake Awareness Month. She said the Governor's Proclamation is in the works.

Yumei Wang shared three events. The first is a conference of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) to be held June 28-

July 1 in Oakland, California. Yumei will be a presenter. She is currently the chair of the ASCE Technical Council on Lifeline Earthquake Engineering.

September 28 and 29 are the dates for the Cannon Beach Tsunami Evacuation Building field trip and workshop, sponsored by CREW (Cascadia Region Earthquake Workgroup).

The last event is a meeting of the Geological Society of America in Portland October 18-21. Yumei has proposed an evening session for the public on earthquake risk issues.

Yumei also announced that the bill to re-authorize NEHRP (National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program) is coming up. Susan Steward said she will be going to Washington, DC soon and could take a letter of support along to Oregon's elected officials. Deborah Boone moved that a letter be written by Yumei and sent with Susan. Tom Manning seconded and the motion passed.

1e. **Time and Location for May 12, 2009 Meeting**

Rep. Boone will reserve Room 50 again for our next meeting.

2. **OSSPAC Strategic Planning Committee – Susan Steward**

Speakers: Michael Patterson (Emergency Manager of Aviation Security and Public Safety) and Tom Peterson (Chief Engineer) from the Port of Portland gave a PowerPoint presentation. Donna Tyner (Senior Risk Analyst) was also present. They showed the properties that they are in charge of, including four business parks, four marine terminals, and three airports. Regarding seismic vulnerabilities, their facilities were built with different codes in different years but have been upgraded seismically whenever work is done on them or additions made. Their emergency plan is for evacuation first. They also need to keep the channels open, so they own a dredge and contract with the Corps of Engineers. All of their facilities are based on sand, so they are vulnerable in an earthquake. They are protected by a sand-filled levee, but the river level and their underground tunnels would be a problem in a disaster. There would also be a HazMat problem if flooded. Their plan is to have an airport runway open within 72 hours for military support. They are working on training for inspecting their structures; however, some are under the FAA's jurisdiction. The tower, for example, was built by FAA to a 7.0 earthquake standard.

3. **OSSPAC Legislative Committee – Gary Milliman**

Gary took input (by phone) on three policy proposals. It was suggested by consensus that the last sentence on the proposal on

seismic hazards be changed and drop the warning sign required. Gary will work on rewriting that one. The other two regarded tsunami warnings. Members gave input on those for Gary's committee to take back to the Oregon Coast Fire Chiefs, who recommended them.

4. OSSPAC Grants Committee – Jim Doane

Jim handed out a list of issues regarding the seismic grants program. Members gave him feedback regarding his list. Due to time restraints, the whole list wasn't addressed.

5. OSSPAC Education Committee – Mark Tyler

Mark handed out an information sheet titled "Seismic Rehabilitation Bond Funds" which can be given out to anyone interested in the program, or we want to inform. Rep. Boone moved that it be published as an OSSPAC document. It was seconded and passed. She suggested it be sent to key legislators such as the head of both the House and Senate, and the Chair and Vice Chair of the Ways and Means Committee.

Adjourn

Yumei wanted to follow up on the speakers from the last meeting regarding water systems, but due to needing to be out of the Hearing Room, that was tabled. The meeting was then adjourned at noon.