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1. Opening Business

- a. Call to Order (Chair) S. Strait @ 1:03 pm; Roll call (*Staff*); Guests

Present – D. Gibbs, K. Trimmer, G. Gladsjo, L. Kelly, N. Ruppert, D. Neuffer, B. Salisbury, S. Strait

Not Present – D. Belanger, M. Devine

No Guests, no members of the public on the line.

Strait reports resignation of E. Athey from the ASHSC. Asks for name(s) of potential new member.

- b. Ethics Act (*Chair*) <http://www.law.alaska.gov/doclibrary/ethics/EthicsInfoBC.html>

Nothing to report.

- c. Approval of the Agenda; No comments, Kelly motions to approve as is, Neuffer seconds, no discussion, all in favor, none opposed.

- d. Review/Approval of December 12, 2019 Meeting Minutes; No comments or corrections, Salisbury motions to approve, Ruppert seconds, all in favor, none opposed.

- e. Budget Update; FY 20 budget \$10,000 total expenses to date \$6828.76, unobligated \$3171.24.
Action: investigate cost of next meeting options (Anchorage or Fairbanks, one day or two days).

- f. Public Comment; no public comment.

2. New Business

- a. Election of Chair and Vice Chair; Kelly nominates Strait for Chair, Trimmer seconds, there are no other nominations for Chair. Kelly takes over meeting, calls for discussion. All in favor, none opposed. Strait has been elected as Chair.

Strait opens nominations for Vice Chair, nominates Kelly, Trimmer seconds, there are no other nominations. All in favor, none opposed. Kelly is elected as Vice Chair.

- b. Commission Annual Report – Strait outlines progress, items on report. Solicits additions. Gladsjo adds updating Strategic Plan as bullet point for inclusion. Kelly adds grant for police stations and firehouses. Another member notes that the Commission website has been updated and improved. Kelly – correction to third bullet point. Strait says goal is to have report out by April.

- c. HB 197 – Commission Extension – Strait updates members on progress of Bill. Discussion.

Action: Strait to follow up w/Ballenger for support (of HB).

- d. FEMA Building Code Courses – Strait shares information sent by member D. Belanger. Strait asks for suggested dates and any other ideas/courses to make them (courses) more successful. Discussion.

3. Committee Reports/Old Business

- a. Follow-up Anchorage Earthquake Lessons Learned;

- i. PR 2020-01 Resilience of Critical Infrastructure – Neuffer outlines recommendations, thanks Strait and Salisbury for their contributions. Discussion.

- ii. PR 2020-02 – Building Code Adoption & Enforcement – Strait updates, asks for submittal suggestions, ideas, discussion.
- b. Earthquake Early Warning for Alaska – Draft has not yet been sent out, Strait working with Salisbury and Ruppert. Draft will go out for member review, following meeting. Salisbury states most salient points to make in the document.
- c. ASCE 7 – Tsunami Modeling Letter – Sent to the code committee for ASCE 7, who wrote the tsunami code, asking questions about modeling in Alaska. Because of that letter, the Commission was invited to attend the meeting. Strait and Salisbury called in, discussion with Code Committee about modeling, not yet ready for use in Alaska. Strait and Salisbury have been invited to continue working with the Code Committee. Ruppert adds information about tsunami modeling community effort to find out how the tsunami maps are being produced. Discussion.
- d. Post-Earthquake Damage Assessment Taskforce – Strait met (last month) with representatives from ASCE, AIA and the Structure Engineers Association to discuss forming an association (AK SAFE – Alaska Structural Assessment Facility Evaluation) to coordinate volunteers. Currently drafting an MOU between that group and ASHSC.
- e. Enhanced Alaska Seismic Monitoring – Ruppert updates with progress of taking over donated sites, and status update of proposal, funding, demo timeline, and equipment distribution. Notes that AVO is taking over 9 sites. (Strait) the Commission can re-issue policy recommendation and/or write a letter in support of the funding request for additional 25 stations.
- f. School & Public Building Seismic Safety – Strait recaps and asks for any comments/suggestions, will **(Action)** follow-up and contact for Belanger for a status update with the ASD/ARC screen.
- g. Grants for Earthquake Recover/Mitigation – Kelly states Senators Murkowski and Feinstein have both worked to put funding behind the resiliency grants and monies available at the federal level - FEMA BRICK Program and hasn't had any updates/new information. Discussion.

4. Briefings

- a. Alaska Earthquake Center – Ruppert reports seismicity has been quiet for the last few months; updates, planning for field maintenance/schedule.
- b. DGGs – Salisbury reports DGGs publishing two regional reports with AK Earthquake Center, adding Admin staff, should be able to pursue grants when fully staffed.
- c. AK DHS & EM – No briefing
- d. Other – Ruppert reports upcoming earthquake conference, several Commission members will be attending.

5. Closing Matters

- a. Next Meeting: April/May 2020 – **Action** Salisbury will look at costs for in person meeting, Anchorage/Fairbanks, 1 or 2 day(s). Suggestion for S. Masterman to be guest speaker at next meeting. Discussion. **Action** Send ideas to Strait.
 - i. In-Person Meeting? Discussion.

Motion to adjourn –

2:23 pm

Ruppert motions,

Kelly seconds.