Meeting Minutes



1:00 – 2:30 pm, January 18, 2024 MSTeams Video Teleconference (Audio only call-in optional)

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1. Opening Business

a. Call to Order (Chair)

1:01 pm

- i. Roll call *(Admin)* Present Aaron Baczuk, Thomas Bergey, Bryan Fisher, Nicholas Murray, Natalia Ruppert, Barrett Salisbury, Liam Knecht
- ii. Guests -Anthony Picasso DHS&EM
- b. Ethics Act (Chair) Nothing to report. http://www.law.alaska.gov/doclibrary/ethics/EthicsInfoBC.html
- c. Approval of the Agenda Approved without objection.
- d. Review/Approval of September 28, 2023 Meeting Minutes Approved without objection.
- e. Budget Update FY24 Annual Budget has a small amount of FY23 per diem from in person meeting in May 2023. This could not be journal adjusted. The Commission still has plenty of FY24 funds for in person meeting in Juneau.
- f. Public Comment time provided, no public comment

2. New Business

- a. 2024 meeting schedule
 - i. Next meeting Feb 15th with USGS EWW team for final draft review and to provide input.
 - ii. Juneau meeting to introduce the Commission to some of the legislators on HB150. Dates are tentatively end of February beginning of March. A. Baczuk suggested along with discussions on earthquakes and tsunamis hazards, to include slope instability and landslides triggered by these events. B. Fisher will work on identifying legislators to reach out to. T. Bergey said he knows some of the legislators involved in HB150 and can hopefully get on their calendars. B. Salisbury will start working on travel.

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- iii. FEMA HAZAs course <u>Modeling Earthquake and Tsunami Risks with GIS</u> March.11-14. It may be possible for ASHSC to cover registration fee for this if anyone is interested.
- iv. Anthony Picasso is hosting a Tsunami Operations Workshop in Seward, this would be another venue to present ASHSC April 1-5th.
- v. Seismological Society of America hosted in Anchorage this year April 29th May 3rd. It may be possible to use some of the budget to send ASHSC members to a workshop during this event.
- b. Standing invitation to collaborate with the Anchorage Municipality Geotechnical Advisory Committee (GAC) Anyone in the Commission can go. B. Salisbury will share the schedule of their monthly meetings.
- c. Annual Report Due in April, B. Salisbury will work on the annual report and is asking for any additional information from the Commission to add to it. He would like to bring the report to the Juneau meeting.
- d. Commission Chair volunteer- Someone on the Commission will need to take over soon as Barrett Salisbury is in his second year as Chair.

3. Old Business

- a. Building Code Adoption & Enforcement & NEHRP ISEA grant
 - i. Subcommittee update B. Fisher gave an update including funding shifting to the next fiscal year; the subcommittee still needs to meet with Chairs.
 - ii. DNR Request for Proposals B. Salisbury will continue to work on this with procurement.
- b. FEMA P-366 Still need to draft a response to the P-366 issues, will hold off on contacting authors. B. Fisher had meetings with FEMA Administrator and the Deputy Administrator for Resilience. He discussed some of the issues that Mike West letter pointed to on the current publication and how FEMA is considering Alaska in terms of Federal funding. B. Salisbury suggested FEMA looking at the resent release of the 2023 National Seismic Haz-map model.
- c. Officiating Docs, volunteers listed below
 - i. Charter (Salisbury)
 - ii. Strategic Plan V3 (Baczuk)
 - iii. Rules of Procedure (Salisbury)
 - iv. ASHSC Role following sig. EQ (Maynard)

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4. Briefings

- a. Alaska Earthquake Center (Ruppert) working with the USGS on the EWW to finalize and present to the Commission.
- AK Div. of Geological & Geophysical Surveys (Salisbury) Attended Colorado workshops outlining strategies for probabilistic tsunamis hazard assessments. Looking into a USGS EHP proposal for DGGS to update the Quaternary Fault and Fold database. This is a living document for research. The compilation of this database in 2013 was an initiative of ASHSC.
- c. AK Div. of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (Fisher/Picasso)- Skagway put in a proposal for BRIC funding on slope stability. If it is awarded this can be used as a model for future slope stability funding requests in other areas of Alaska.
- d. AK Dept. of Transportation and Public Facilities (Murray)- DOT has Funding for research need statements that align with transportation projects.
- e. Emergency Management City of Valdez (Baczuk) A. Baczuk gave an update on the NOAA fund for hydrographic survey on the port in Valdez. The data from this survey will help identify the greatest hazard areas for long term monitoring.

5. Closing Matters

-ADJOURN- 2:23 pm