

# Meeting Minutes 1:00p – 3:00p November 18th, 2021

Teleconference

Public Call-in line: 1-800-315-6338, Code: 131959# Chair: Sterling Strait, <u>sterling.strait@alyeska-pipeline.com\_</u>907-632-7654 (text/cell)

## 1. **Opening Business**

## 1:00pm

- a. Call to Order (Chair);
- b. Roll call (*Staff*);
  - i. Present S. Bass, T. Bergey, L. Kelly, N. Murray, D. Neuffer, N. Ruppert, B. Salisbury, and S. Strait
  - ii. Excused B. Fisher and D. Gibbs
- c. Guests Call for guests, no guests on the line
- d. Ethics Act (*Chair*) http://www.law.alaska.gov/doclibrary/ethics/EthicsInfoBC.html Nothing to report
- e. Approval of the Agenda S. Bass motions to approve no changes, T. Bergey seconds, No discussion, all in favor, none opposed.
- f. Review/Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (Sept. 23, 2021) L. Kelly moves, N. Ruppert seconds No discussion, all in favor, none opposed.

g. Budget Update: C. Huizenga (DGGS Administrative Assistant), FY22 budget with full funding available. Discussion on travel expenses and various projects to fund.

- h. Public Comment time offered, no public comments
- i. Chair comments: welcomes board members, and new board member Bryan Fisher to the Seismic Commission.

### 2. New Business

### 1:10pm

- a. Election of 2022 Chair and Vice Chair
  - i. N. Ruppert nominates B. Salisbury as ASHSC Interim Chair. Support of nomination; all in favor say I, none opposed. Unanimous decision B. Salisbury is the acting Interim Chair beginning 2022.
  - ii. Nominations for Interim Vice-Chair of ASHSC. S. Bass volunteered for Interim Vice Chair. All in favor say none opposed. Unanimous decision S. Bass is elected Interim Vice-Chair beginning 2022.
- b. 2018 Anchorage Earthquake Anniversary
  - EERI Report Recommendations S. Strait drafted a document with a summary of the EERI report of recommendations and/or goals the commission can implement from the summary. Discussion of which ideas or recommendations to pursue as a commission. Remains open for discussion. B. Salisbury –possibly create a flyer for news reporters a summary of highlights from the 2018 earthquake. There is a wide scope of possibilities stemming from the EERI report: drafting legislation to press releases. Ideas or suggestions from the commission. L. Kelly the state legislature is committed to budget and state issues, with minimum time available for other projects. The commission might look at other more time-efficient ideas to pursue. B. Salisbury suggests pursing building code's adoption and enforcement of *critical*

*infrastructure only*. Beneficial for the commission to keep the scope focused. S. Strait – Suggests the commission organizes a workshop with state fire marshals, local contractors, representatives from the building community, state & local government, and other interested parties to discuss current holdbacks to the implementation and enforcement of seismic building codes. Discussion of sponsoring a workshop and the details of invites, where, who, and curriculum provided. Organize the workshop for late spring or early summer.

- ii. Mandatory Seismic Retrofits promote the safety of the seismic retrofits. Maybe have a sticker for retrofit for seismic safety tied to building permits. The sticker or placard informs the public that this building has been retrofitted for seismic safety. Discussion on retrofit sticker and building specifics for the retrofit.
- c. Public Engagement
  - i. Press Release no
  - ii. Newspaper Editorial

News article summarizing 2 or 3 main highlights of the EERI report, which would probably reach the public more than a flyer would. Commission members D. Neuffer and B. Salisbury will assist S. Strait with the draft for the news article. Newspaper sources for each city – Juneau Empire, ADN Anchorage, Daily News-miner, Mat-Su Valley Frontiersman, and other newspapers.

## 3. Committee Reports/Old Business

#### 2:10pm

- Resilience of Critical Infrastructure D. Neuffer has had discussions with USGS working group (focused on 2018 Anchorage earthquake effects and ground failure models). They have completed much of the groundwork for their project deliverables. We hope to assist them with getting supporting information from other local organizations.
- b. UAA Seismic Demonstration Project Update S. Strait shake table is working; the bridge isn't fully assembled yet. UAA Engineering hosted an open house for the local high school students. UAA is also traveling to local high schools with the shake table the commission donated.
  Pictures of the shake table at the high schools or open house events at UAA Engineering to be sent to the commission so be posted on the webpage by B. Salisbury.
- c. Alaska Seismic Hazard Map Update Meetings S. Strait no updates, B. Salisbury the updated probabilistic seismic hazard map will have an updated database of Alaska faults current seismic activity.
- d. Prince William Sound Barry Arm Tsunami Risk B. Salisbury DGGS only providing 1 update per month. The December update will contain a field season summary and updated map showing all equipment operating in the area.

## 4. Briefings

- a. Alaska Earthquake Center N. Ruppert no major seismic activity in the past couple months. Summer fieldwork is completed.
- b. DGGS B. Salisbury Completed fieldwork on the Kaltag fault system and identified a few new fault traces.
- c. AK DHS & EM no briefing available

### 5. Closing

2:30pm

a. Next Meeting – January 2022

-ADJOURNMENT - B. Salisbury motions, D. Neuffer seconds