Committee Members Present: Darrel Christenson, Lupita Hernandez, Catrina Jenkins, Scott Lindbloom, Susan Molloy, and Sheryl Yellowhair

Staff Present: Sara Ann Joehnk

Public Present: Laura Dix (guest speaker)

Welcome and Introductions:
Scott Lindbloom, Chair of the Emergency Preparedness Committee, called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm. Welcome and introductions were completed.

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only:
Scott Lindbloom called for public comment. No public comment was received.

AzCHER Partnership:
Laura Dix stated her role as executive director of the Arizona Coalition for Healthcare Emergency Response (AzCHER) is to integrate and facilitate the four regions of the healthcare coalition. AzCHER is a coalition of hospitals, nonacute facilities, emergency medical services, emergency management, public health, and other entities coming together to build resilience into the healthcare delivery system. Laura explained AzCHER is making a bigger effort to incorporate representation on steering committees from the populations with disabilities and/or access and functional needs. Laura described the regions for each of the four-steering committee. Laura stated that the focus of the regional steering committees is on healthcare delivery and committee members would be working with hospitals, EMS, and public health. The steering committees meet monthly and members can call-in to the meetings. The steering committees are responsible for a variety of activities including a hazard vulnerability assessment, examining training needs for the region, developing exercises, and conducting planning. Laura suggested volunteers contact Sara Ann Joehnk over email and Laura will establish contact with each regional manager.

Report by the Disability Integration Specialist:
Sara Ann Joehnk shared there will be a paid fall internship that will focus on social media outreach. Sara shared the success of the Partner in Preparedness Summit and that the Arizona’s
Access and Functional Needs Task Force will be addressing some of the gaps identified during the Summit at their next meeting.

**Recruiting New Committee Members:**

Scott Lindbloom introduced new committee member Catrina Jenkins from Navajo County Emergency Management.

Sara Ann Joehnk asked the committee what the protocol is for inviting new members. Scott Lindbloom and the committee members agreed that any committee member can invite a member of the public to participate on the committee.

**Committee Priorities for 2020:**

Scott Lindbloom suggested a workshop to focus on emergency preparation for the upcoming winter months, specifically in Show Low and northwest Arizona. Darrel Christenson brought up different emergency preparedness concerns during the summer months in Phoenix. There was a brief discussion about potential ideas and dates for seasonal workshops.

**Future Meeting Schedule:**

Sara Ann Joehnk explained the goals of the past monthly meeting schedule and why it wasn’t working as intended. Scott Lindbloom suggested quarterly meetings. The committee members agreed to quarterly committee meetings. The committee then discussed trying to attend one meeting a year in-person.

**Announcements**

No announcements.

**Call to the Public:**

Scott Lindbloom opened the meeting for public comment. No public comment received.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35pm.