



Alexandria Citizen's Corps Council (CCC)  
November Meeting (Virtual)  
November 24th, 2025  
Meeting Notes

1. Meeting called to order at 7:02pm.
2. Roll Call:
  - Donna Reuss, Beth Mahar, Rosy Noguchi, Patrick Moran, Sean Gallagher, Rachel Mann, David Mendez, Reba Winstead, Anthony Benja-Athon, Eric Letzgus, Marc Barbieri, Parker Fritsch, Waheeda Yousofzoy, Councilman R. Kirk McPike.
3. Review and Approve July Meeting Minutes:
  - Motion to approve by Donna, seconded by Rachel; approved unanimously.
4. Office of Emergency Management(OEM) Update (Marc):
  - New staff members onboarded.
  - Working on shelter plan. Exercises in early 2026.
  - Launching 2026 training calendar, including operations with ACPS.
  - Cold weather outreach happening soon.
  - Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan project will be kicking off next year in coordination with many groups.
5. City Council Update (Councilman McPike):
  - In process of finalizing legislative packet for the December City Council meeting.
  - Preparing for upcoming budget cycle next year.
6. Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Update (Beth):
  - Supported the Fire Station Open House.
  - Completed the fall course. 22 graduates.
  - Marjorie W. has retired as coordinator; Parker F. from OEM will take over as coordinator.
7. Civic Associations Update (Donna):
  - Nothing to report.
8. Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Update (Rosy):
  - October regional hybrid table talk activity with other MRCs in Northern Virginia discussing possible responses to widespread foodborne illness.
  - Chemical role play exercise was done.
  - Participated in a "POD" role playing exercise in Arlington.
  - Working on N95 fit testing for volunteers to ensure secure fits. Creating a volunteer task team for this.
9. Alexandria Radio Club Update (Sean):
  - October exercise with Arlington Club supporting scouts jamboree.



- New President and Vice President elected; Sean is still the CCC representative.
  - Working to extend repeater coverage in City. Will work with Mt. Vernon Club.
    - Looking for more coverage in Del Ray, Old Town North, and Potomac Yard.
  - Working on adding GMRS capabilities to volunteer activities related to this group.
10. No Red Cross Update.
11. Volunteer Alexandria and Volunteer Reception Center (VRC) Update (Reba):
- Many applicants for Snow Buddies program this year.
  - Graduated 9 VRC trainees.
  - Working on updating SOP for December.
  - More table top exercises upcoming.
12. CCC Officer Brief:
- Chair Update (Patrick):
    - Good 2025.
    - Collaboration has been great across the group. Especially with joint trainings.
    - In good shape to support the City.
  - Vice Chair Update (Rachel):
    - No update.
  - Secretary Update (David):
    - No update.
13. Old Business:
- Review and discuss status of CCC code revision.
    - Submitted to Committee on Boards and Commissions.
  - Review of 2025 achievements:
    - Many achievements by our affiliate groups.
    - Marc appreciated the attendance at the City Council Meeting by the CCC for the National Preparedness Month Proclamation.
    - Tons of Trucks was a great success.
    - We appreciate the leadership of Marc at OEM.
14. New Business:
- Planning for 2026.
    - Cross-cutting training should continue.
    - David suggests picking a second event in 2026 to do outreach in addition to Tons of Trucks.
    - Rachel would like to create a CCC "one-pager" with information on each affiliate group.
    - Donna suggests creating an information sharing system through the Civic Associations to transmit information to residents during an emergency. Maybe do a test of this in 2026.



- Rachel's civic association was interested in learning more about the plan for different neighborhoods during an emergency.
  - Something perhaps OEM can do.
    - Volunteer ALX can advertise this option when they meet with civic associations.
- Maybe it could be a CCC effort for the City at some recreation center to talk about this idea with residents.
  - With affiliate groups presenting.
  - Something we can plan for Springtime 2026?
    - National Volunteer week is in Late April.
    - We can create a subcommittee.
- Sean is asking if we can do more outreach with civic associations to see what neighborhoods are most concerned about. Can curate exactly what civic associations want to hear.
  - Patrick says we can ask for this information at a first meeting and then follow up on these issues.
    - Rachel suggests a survey after the event,
- Maybe do a pre-meeting to discuss topics with civic associations.
  - Donna suggests nailing down a date first and then she can market it to the associations.
- Need to look into building availability.
- Motion by David to create a Standing Subcommittee on Event Planning, seconded by Rachel. Unanimously approved.
  - Consisting of: Rachel, David, Donna, Sean, Patrick.
  - First meeting set for December 18th at 7pm, virtual via Microsoft Teams.
- Sean suggests creating a 2026 Goals page on the CCC webpage.
  - Patrick agrees this is a good idea.

15. Next Meeting Dates:

- Monday, January 26th, 2026.
- Monday, March 23rd, 2026.

16. Motion by David to adjourn at 8:45pm, seconded by Rachel; approved unanimously.