

MEETING MINUTES
Emergency Preparedness Commission
July 6, 2026 – 5:00 PM
Farmington Hills City Hall – Community Room
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Farmington Hills, MI 48336
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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Chair Sweeney called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Avie, Card, Ciaramitaro, Dilts, Dixon, Foshee, Hopfe, Igwe, Sloan, Schertel, Sweeney, Thomas, and Tyler.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dilts.

OTHERS PRESENT: Aldred (FH City Council), Pankow (FHFD), and Piggott (FHPD).

OTHERS ABSENT: Wren (FPS).

CITIZENS PRESENT: None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Schertel to approve the agenda as submitted, seconded by Dixon. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: Motion by Avie to approve the June 1, 2026 meeting minutes as submitted, seconded by Dixon. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

BUDGET REPORT:

- Approximately \$1,800 of the 2025/206 budget was spent.
- The EPC budget for 2026/2027 is \$2,500.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Farmington Community Library Truck-A-Paloosa recap
 - The EPC had a table at the event and distributed preparedness literature. About 500 people attended the event.
- Farmington Hills 250th Celebration recap
 - The EPC had a table at the event and distributed emergency preparedness literature.
- Founders Festival Planning

- EPC will have a tent and table to distribute preparedness literature; need help setting up the tent and table Thursday evening.
- An electronic sign-up to staff that table has been sent out; 8 of the 12 slots are filled.
- Avie will be leading a team to assist with the parade on Saturday morning.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- Lt. Pankow: The FHFD has been busy responding to recent events.
- Chief Piggot: Summarized the FHPD response to recent events in Farmington Hills and acknowledged the outstanding efforts of the officers involved and community support.
- Council Member Aldred: No updates.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Website Committee report
 - The website committee will be working with the new Farmington Hills communications person to update the emergency preparedness information on the website.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

- Card: The Great Lakes Water Authority urged preparedness for potential municipal water supply disruptions following the water main break in May that affected 200,000 residents in the Rochester Hills area.
- Dixon: Following the positive experience of the Truck-a-paloosa event, she will be looking for more youth-oriented events where the EPC can distribute literature.
- Schertel: His two sons recently went through the youth police academy and enjoyed it.
- Sweeney: An emergency preparedness expo will be in Howell on Sept. 12th.

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next public meeting will be Monday, October 5, 2026, at 5:00 PM in the Farmington Hills City Hall Community Room. The final meeting of the year will be on Nov. 2.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Sweeney adjourned the meeting at 6:03 PM.

Minutes taken by Secretary Card.

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