

Yamhill County Employee Safety Advisory Committee
February 9, 2021 8:15 a.m.

Courthouse, Room 32

Chair: Amy Kemper

Voting Members Present: Amy Kemper, Karen Rogers, Brenda Hopper and Rosa Mercado.

County Staff: Jessica Johnson

Guests: Molly Nix, Courts

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:18 a.m. A quorum is present.

1. **Minutes:** November 11, 2020 - Motion made to approve the minutes by Karen Rogers, seconded by Brenda Hopper. Unanimously approved.
2. **Unfinished Business - None.**
3. **New Business –**
 - a. Chair and Vice-Chair positions will be up in March and we will have a vote at our February meeting for these positions.
 - b. Committee members with terms expiring in March – (Elsa, Monica, and Rosa) Current members wishing to continue will need to let Amy and Keri know so that they can be reappointed.
 - c. Review of December safety inspections – there have been some buildings that have not been accessible especially considering the most recent lockdown in December along with the holidays and time off. Rosa stated that the other challenge is that employees are working from home.
 - d. Safety Inspections— Amy proposed to the committee to have a representative from each building conduct the safety inspections until things can go back to a more normal situation. Rosa will talk to a few folks at HHS to ask if they would be willing to inspect. Keri suggested asking Gary Van Der Veen to inspect Public Health since he works in that building and used to be on the safety committee and has completed the required OSHA training.
 - e. Goal for 2021— Amy asked the committee if they were interested in coming up with a new goal or if they wanted to stay with the same one, any suggestions are welcome there will be more discussion at the next meeting.
4. **801/Incident/Accident Reports** – HR not able to report a report will be presented next month for November, December and January.
5. **Other Business** – None.
6. **Department Reports by ESAC members and others** – Amy stated that they are seeing more juveniles come into the facility, but they are continuing to follow the same safety protocols. Brenda stated that they are still closed with no clients coming in and only a few staff are in the building at any given time. Karen stated that they are keeping the Jail going while following all safety protocols. Rosa said that there is a lot of telehealth, but they are still seeing some clients due to some people not having access to a computer, and when clients do come into the building they are sanitizing after each client. Molly reported that the Courts are closed to the public and 99% of court hearings are being held virtually. Jessica had no safety concerns to report but added that Facilities seems to be busier than before the pandemic started. Monica said that the Sheriff's office is closed to the public and they are continuing to follow all safety protocols and social distancing.
7. **Next meeting:** February 9, 2021 – 8:15 a.m. – virtually via MS Teams
8. **Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 8:34 a.m.