

Minutes

Central Naugatuck Valley Emergency Planning Committee/Citizen Corps-CERT Watertown Fire House Watertown, CT October 9, 2008 5:00 PM

Present: Ken Hanks, Chair, and Fran Dambowsky, Naugatuck; Richard Mortensen, Prospect; Dave Hardt, Watertown; Steve Savage, Northwest Connecticut Public Safety ;Chet Sergey, Wolcott LEPC; Scott Pelletier, Oxford; Larry Black and Dave Hardt, Watertown;

Staff: Virginia Mason, Assistant Director

Ken Hanks called the meeting to order at 5:01 P.M. There was no public comment.

On a motion by Dave Hardt, seconded by Scott Pelletier, it was moved and approved to have Chief Larry Black replace Scott Pelletier as CNV ESF 4 Chair due to time commitments. Larry has met with Chief Burns of Norfolk, the ESF 4 chair from the Northwest Public Safety Task Force, and will coordinate with their methodology. He expects to meet over the next few months with each fire chief including Chief Maglione, Region 5 ESF chair, to discuss the Regional Plan and other matters. He passed out a flow chart for Request for Assistance. This shows response from local to mutual aid assistance, to county assistance to regional coordinator to state coordinator for fire issues, differing slightly from the “zone” approach which NWPSTF has employed. Larry will research how to integrate the State Fire Resource Disaster Plan and make a recommendation to the EPC. Ken thanked him for his willingness to assist.

Ken then updated the group on the regional exercise. He noted that we plan to have a CEO training exercise in January, WEB EOC training in February specific to this region, and the table top in March, either at St. Mary’s or UConn. A functional exercise will occur in the fall. This is largely a public works and police exercise “centerpiece” and will take ½ a day, but there will be injects relevant to all towns.

Virginia went over the highlights of the State Coordinating Council meeting that took place in the morning. The main presentation was on ConnDOT’s GIS system capabilities and the CD on the state road network. Several towns expressed interest in getting copies of this. Virginia will contact ConnDOT.

There was much discussion on the 2009 grants. Bob Kenny had sent out notice that the Region will meet by ESFs on Friday, October 24th to determine our priorities. Those present had three priorities: State support for CodeRED, continuation of training funds, and shelter needs including trailers, cots, comfort kits, feminine products, meals, etc. including those which are kid friendly and for special needs people. Dave Hardt showed the items which come with the comfort kits which the state can sell us.

Virginia spoke about the 07 and 08 grants as well.

She also noted that the 2008 Citizen Corps Conference in September was very well attended and went well. The morning speaker was excellent. Prospect was encouraged to begin its Citizen Corps class before the December 31st grant deadline.

There was a request to disseminate the Resource Typing information to all towns.

The meeting adjourned at 6:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Mason
Assistant Director