

**Central Naugatuck Valley Emergency Planning Committee/Citizen Corps-
CERT
Watertown Fire House
May 14, 2009
5:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

Present: Chet Sergey, Wolcott; Dave Hardt, Watertown; Steve Savage, NW CT Public Safety; Rich Stubbs, ARC; Steve Savage, NWCTPS; Richard Mortensen, Prospect.

Staff: Virginia Mason, Assistant Director

Vice Chairman Dave Hardt called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

Virginia explained the 2008 grant process in detail and reviewed the proposed spending plan approved by the DEMHS Region 5 Steering Committee, project by project, including who proposed and who benefits. There was general concern that this region has not developed its list projects and that some projects have the potential to require funding into the future. The Resource coordinator was withdrawn, but the group is aware of the need for EMD support. The trailers sought by the CNVR were recommended to be funded immediately out of 07 training funds, as was the HV video conference system. The REPT will meet on June 8th.

Dave reported that the Regional Exercise planning committee was well attended with 10 municipalities participating. A functional exercise on I-84 and a diversion for Route 7 and 8 and I-84 from the NYS border to Plainville were also in the spending plan as the required project and exercise for Region 5. There was concern that the exercise needed to be more challenging to meet the level of sophistication of the CNVR emergency response community.

At Ken Hanks request, the committee discussed its future and the needs of the group. There was a recommendation that we change the meeting schedule, but keep the time. The group felt they needed further input and asked that a survey be sent to all members of the group asking about their expectations, the CNVEPC's ability to meet their needs, its scope, how involvement can be increased, and knowledge of the Region 5 plan draft. COGCNV staff will work with the chair and vice chair on developing the survey.

There were three CERT applications. Wolcott's traffic training grant expires this month and they are seeking equipment for that function, identification clothing and equipment for their shelter. On a motion by Richard, seconded by Rich, the application for \$1,838 was approved. Prospect again is seeking a team and has a new coordinator. On a motion by Chet, seconded by Rich, the application for \$1,000 was approved. Finally, the CNVEPC's exiting application needs to be revised as the Regional exercise will not occur in June and funds will be allocated to participation in the Conference Planning Committee. On a motion by Chet, seconded by Steve, the motion was approved.

At the Coordinating Council meeting today, Virginia reported that there was a presentation on the H1N1 virus. Other highlights of the meeting were discussed including the retirement of Wayne Sanford,

Rich announced that due to the H1N1 virus, shelter procedures have been revised. Dave Hardt announced that the Region 5 ESF 4 will meet in Watertown Wednesday, the 20th at 7 P.M. There will be a June 2nd EMD Conference at SCSU.

The meeting adjourned at 6:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Mason
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