

**Central Naugatuck Valley Emergency Planning Committee/Citizen Corps-
CERT
Watertown Fire House
September 10, 2009
5:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

Present: Dave Hardt, Watertown; Richard Mortensen, Prospect, Ken Hanks, Naugatuck, Mike Devine, Bethlehem; Chet Sergey, Wolcott; Steve Savage, NWCTPS; Scott Pelletier, Oxford

Staff: Virginia Mason, Assistant Director

Vice Chairman Hardt called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Ken Hanks updated the group on the draft AAR for Operation Gridlock. COGCNV has distributed the draft by email and it will be discussed at the October meeting. It includes some proposed initiatives for the EPC and COGCNV.

Under Citizen Corps, Virginia mentioned the conference is next week at Waters Edge in Westbrook and the statewide conference is the last weekend in September. There were no applications presented.

Under the 07 grant, Virginia passed out copies of various cots. Chet Sergey showed the features of one of his personal cots and made recommendations. The committee reviewed the features of the Cabela's Alaskan Guide Model (oversized), a Sportman's Guide ALPS Exploration, a Slumberjack Big XL, Precise Kit's Deluxe Aluminum Shelter and Jumbo Cots, and an Aramsco quote. Virginia also distributed information on Cert-kits's blankets and pillows. After much discussion, on a motion by Scott Pelletier and seconded by Chet Sergey, the committee decided to purchase 356 (89 per municipality – Bethlehem, Prospect, Oxford, and Wolcott) Cabela's Alaskan Guide Model cots. With the remaining \$575 of the allocation, they also decided not to purchase blankets or pillows at this time and to seek hand sanitizer and equipment wipes instead due to the projected flu epidemic. Virginia will seek guidance from DEMHS on whether or not this is an allowable purchase. Virginia also distributed a Shelter Manager's Kit list supplied by the ARC.

Virginia also updated the group on the purchase of the GPS units and how they will be delivered (through RPOs). Tim Baldwin selected four municipalities which do extensive support for Litchfield and Waterbury to receive the four additional units (Harwinton, Litchfield, Naugatuck and Wolcott) as the contract with the state gives us a 15% reduction in cost.

Dave Hardt, ESF 5 chair for the CNVEPC, discussed his concerns about the duty officer as proposed in the REPT. As chair he is the duty officer, but he is seeking other individuals to be

trained and share the duties so that support is always available. An EMD with 100, 200, and 700 is required. We are not going to be as advanced as CREPC. A rotation was suggested. Tom Vannini will be writing the proposed changes. There will be further discussion at the October meeting.

There was discussion of the EMD issues and grants.

Virginia updated the group on the Horsley Whitten Emergency Response Plan for the CNV police forces. They said they have completed the annex and the protocols and are reviewing them in house at present. They expect to make the December deadline.

On a motion by Chet Sergey seconded by Scott Pelletier, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Mason
Assistant Director