

MINUTES

Tri-EPIC

Regional Emergency Planning Committee

Tuesday, October 8, 2013

Harrington Memorial Hospital

Attendees:

MEMA Region ¾:	Robert Berry	Southbridge Fire:	Roland LaRochelle:
CERT:	George Butz	Charlton Fire:	Terri Gough
Chalton Chip In:	Darlene Emco-Rollins		Carl Ekman
Charlton Resident:(Ret)	Chief Ralph Harris	Sbdge. ACO:	Kathy Shields
Radius Health	Andre Doco	Dudley ACO:	Ron Komar
Dudley Fire:	Paul Konieczny	DEP:	Nick Childs
Mass State Police:	James Devlin	Harrington Hosp.:	Matthew Donohue
CMDART:	Joann Griffin		

Meeting called to order: 08:34

Introductions: Sgt. James Devlin – State Police

Sept. 10, 2013 Minutes:

Meeting minutes accepted. Motioned by Ralph Harris, sec. by Matt Donahue

Voted Unan. By all present

Treasurers Report: Motioned and seconded, approved.

Old Business:

CERT: We are still waiting for word from MEMA and Curt Swartz about any chance of funds to host a full CERT training class as well as to keep up with our continuing education classes. Terri spent Friday afternoon with the new CERT leader from the city of Worcester; they currently do not have any trained members for their city. I offered her all of the templates that I have for the class. Bob Berry from MEMA will bring this back to the region for their quarterly meeting. Perhaps they could make CERT a standard agenda item for their quarterly meetings. It was suggested that we should perhaps put shelter operations as part of one of our training drills.

Harvest fest: Is the weekend of the 19 & 20. Any help would be greatly appreciated. We are still in need of items for the raffle baskets.

F.M. Global Grant: Ralph is waiting for one more town to respond. Perhaps we could apply for training dollars for CERT. Also Dudley suggested the file of life cards for the senior population. Perhaps put in surround sound in the grant.

Drill Update: Carl spoke to JJ Burke about us doing a functional drill. One of the things we need to make sure there are funds to take care of his group. We need to make sure we have good numbers to support what we want. We will need to put language in to make sure we have supplies to support the event. Andre Doko would like us to think about having some of our pre-planning meetings at his location.

Antenna Project: It has been assigned to a new member and it should be moving along.

Thank You Letters: Terri will write letters and Roland will sign.

New Business:

Logo/Patch: We need to consider changing our logo. We now have two new towns and possibly a third. We will wait until we have a determination by the town of Auburn and then move forward.

CMDART: They are currently training in multiple locations, they have emergency preparedness trailers in different towns. The town of Southbridge has signed an MOU with CMDART for the lease of one these trailers. It is being placed at the DPW. It has all the equipment for pet care and sheltering equipment. It is being leased for .50 cents a year and the insurance is covered by the town of Southbridge.

In Charlton there is training in November being held for large animals care during emergency, another one in Uxbridge for small animals. They are still waiting for some of the towns to return their MOU's.

Oct 2014 Meeting: Suggestion was made by Dudley that we perhaps change the date for next year's meeting. The meeting date falls right in the middle of Fire Safety Week and it is very hectic.

Harrington Hospital Tabletop: They are hosting a tabletop exercise to work on their recovery plans. It is being held in Worcester on Nov. 1, 2014.

DEP: They have an outreach training on Spill planning, prevention and response. We will plan this for Nov. meeting and they will be the key note speaker.

Motion to adjourn by the body, 2nd by Carl.
Meeting adjourned at 10:16

Next Meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2013
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