


Tri-EPIC
Regional Emergency Planning Committee
Tuesday, October 11, 2022
Umass Memorial Healthcare at Harrington
P.O. Box 145
Charlton City, MA
01508

*******IN PERSON MEETING***** (100 South Street, Southbridge MA
01550 Conferences rooms 1&2)**


 *A question presented prior to the opening of the meeting Re: Quorum
One of four E-Board members are present and unclear if a quorum for the E-board is needed,
discussion does not render an answer so all agreed to continue with and informal meeting
and will clarify quorum for latter meetings.*

- *Researching Bylaws Article 3 section 5 "Quorum" indicates seven categories
present minimum five voting members present but no language on E-board.*

Secretary's Report:



- Minutes June 14th, 2022, Meeting
-  *No Secretary's report*

Treasurer's Report:

- Tri-Epic / CERT \$
- John Hart Scholarship \$
- Donations Account \$
- Website \$
- Operational Cost \$
-  *No treasures report*

Presentation: None

Old Business:

- Tri-Epic recertification
 -  *Matt Wyke still indicates that we are status quo until the re-cert process
has been rebuilt.*
- Town of Webster Tri-Epic membership
 -  *Chief Hickey retains his thinking of non-membership for Webster*

- MDU replacements / homeland funds
 - ✚ Chief Normandin – monies should be available, we need updated quotes and project worksheets.
- Ret. Chief Harris – Re; Radio network upgrades (license & system)
 - The best means of upgrades still may be a radiophone app such as a Zillow. Low costs & greater coverage as long as cell service is present
 - Ned to draft radio protocols for use and disciplines
 - A radio assessment had been done some 10 years ago and yes is now out dated but may still have importance to what we are looking at currently. Need to locate that report.

Hospital Update:

- ✚ No report

New Business:

- CERT class - No Report
- Cert Trailer – Surplus - No Report
- HMEP grant - No Report
- John Hart scholarship - No Report
- Email List Update <https://forms.office.com/r/SmfmVkuSS>
 - ✚ Southbridge has received grant monies for a new stand by emergency shelter generator
 - ✚ CMDART
 - Are available for sheltering drills as all shelters shall be pet friendly
 - Need continued sources of funding and ask for ideas, Dep Chief Jolda Webster FD had been helpful on a funding project.
 - Asks a subcommittee to look into the lack of signed MOU agreements between the Tri-Epic community's and CMDART. The number of signed agreements has drooped over the years and have no clear ideas why.
 - ✚ Active membership in the Tri-Epic had decreased and is noted with the in person meeting. A possible unintended consequence of the pandemic and managing through Zoom meetings, this may fade over time and persons return to in person meetings.
 - A possible quick renewal of interest may be to ask for assistance from MEMA & CMRPC. Each can issue statements to all Tri-Epic communities' administrations and disciplines in the communities.

- **Adjourn:**