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Tri-EPIC

Regional Emergency Planning Committee

Tuesday, November 8, 2016

Harrington Memorial Hospital

Attendees:

MEMA Region 3/4:	Kristen Jerome	Charlton Police:	Chief James Pervier
Charlton Resident:(Ret)	Chief Ralph Harris	National Grid:	Kevin Shaughnessy
Sturbridge ACO:	Michelle Connors	Sbdge. ACO:	Kathy Shields
Charlton Fire:	Dep. Chief Ed Knopf	Harrington Hospital:	Wanda O'Connor
	Terri Gough		Carlton Rondeau
	Carl Ekman	Dudley Fire:	Captain Paul Konieczny
CMDART:	Joann Griffin		

Meeting called to order: 08:22

October 11, 2016 Minutes:

Motion & Second with changes, approved by all present

Treasurer's Report Accepted

Old Business:

John Hart Scholarship:

There was no fundraiser done this year for next year's awards. Suggestions for fund raisers are, Toll booths, Turkey raffles, Go Fund me Page, joining up with local restaurants to get a % of purchases (Public House, Teddy G's). Terri will contact the Hardwick Winery and see if they would be interested in doing a fund raiser for us. CMDART has offered to put the John Hart Scholarship in their publications.

CERT:

Quarterly trainings for continuing Education will continue. Some communities are having an issue with members being active. Some concerns from the CERT members are they do not feel valued and are never called for anything but scheduled events. Suggestion made that perhaps we can get D7 to do a presentation In CERT and what they can

offer to the departments. There will be a quarterly CERT meeting on 11/30/6 at the Holden Public Safety Complex.

CMDART:

Will be providing training to our CERT and Tri-EPIC members. These trainings will be on January 17 & 24. Location of training to be announced before the classes. Terri will resend the flyer out.

Tri-EPIC Radio Licensing:

Problem with the radios that we have is that our license is for 5 watts and the radios transmit at 40 watts. We need to reapply to increase our license to 50 watts, D&R Communications is working on this now.

Our renewal will be about \$1000.00.

We need to verify all of our base stations and where they are located and who is monitoring/testing them.

We spoke at a prior meeting about setting up and doing a monthly test of our frequency. We will readdress this after we have resolved the license issues.

Carlton Rondeau has joined the Radio Committee (Ralph Harris, Capt. Konieczny & Chief Mark DiFronzo).

Suggestion made to contact Alan Jeskey who is a Ham Radio operator to see if he will join the committee.

New Business:

Special Guest Pam Shaw from International Homestay Program spoke of the program that will have foreign students spending July 8 to August 2 with American families.

John Hart Memorial Scholarship: Motion by Carl Ekman, 2nd by Kathy Shields to create a scholarship and form a scholarship committee. Kathy Charette, Kevin Mercier, and Kathy Shields will be founding committee members.

Motion to adjourn by the body, 2nd by Carl.

Meeting adjourned at 10:13

Next Meeting, Tuesday, December 13, 2016
Harrington Memorial Hospital