

**Capitol Region Emergency Planning Committee Meeting
(DEMHS Region 3) (UASI Region 3) July 21, 2016
9:30 a.m.
South Congregational Church, Hartford**

Call to order

Chairman Bruce Lockwood called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. Participants introduced themselves and Bruce led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

None

Adoption of the Minutes

Dave Kosciuk, seconded by Joyce Stille, made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 21, 2016, meeting. All in favor, so voted.

Joyce Stille, seconded by Dave Kosciuk, made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. All in favor, so voted.

Federal and State Liaison Reports

Douglas Pesce from the US Department of Homeland Security discussed 'Security Starts Here' outreach program and distributed program pamphlets. Interested municipalities could reach him on the contact information listed in the pamphlets.

No state report.

Unfinished Business

Area 3 Planner and Coordinator – Chairman Lockwood stated that the posting for the Area 3 Planner and Coordinator position at DEMHS is forthcoming.

Spending Plan – Joyce Stille, seconded by Dave Kosciuk, made a motion to approve the FY16 spending plan. All in favor, so voted. \$40,000 was approved for Training and Exercises. \$45,000 was approved for Bomb Squad Required Set-Aside. \$147,698 was approved for Sustainment/Maintenance of Regional Equipment. \$70,000 was approved for Personnel and/or Contractual Services for Planning and Project Support. \$45,000 was approved for HAZMAT Required Set-Aside (Through EMPG Funds). \$60,000 was approved for Agency Oversight. The approved grant total was \$407,698.

New Business

Appointment of Nominations Committee – On behalf of the nominating committee, Brian Heaven announced the nominees for the upcoming election. The committee has nominated Dave Kosciuk for the position of Chairman, and James DiPace, for the position of 2nd Vice Chairman.

Joe Palombizio, seconded by Joyce Stille, made a motion to approve the nominees put forth by the Nominations Committee. All in favor, so voted

Chairman Lockwood Retirement- Chairman Lockwood stated that his retirement has been accelerated to October 1st and will vacate the Chairman position at that time. In his stead, the Vice Chair will lead meetings until a new Chairman is selected during the election process.

Point of Privilege- Bob Dibella recognized Chairman Lockwood's outstanding service and superb leadership of Region 3 CREPC.

CRCOG Web Site update- Bill Perkins stated that you will see a new CRCOG web site up and running shortly. Any ESF that would like specific information added should contact him.

*CT Rises Presentation-*Theresa Ranciato-Viele and Susan Shaw of CT Rises presented information about their organization and its mission. CT Rises is a 501c3 organization that specializes in short and long term economic and planning disaster recovery. They encourage municipalities to connect with and utilize various faith based organizations in their regions. The presenters expressed a desire to visit individual municipalities and speak with their emergency managers about their disaster recovery plans.

ESF- Selected Committee Reports

Chairman Lockwood stated that John Basso, from the American Red Cross, is the New ESF 6 Chairman.

Cheryl Assis reiterated the importance of providing updates for the consent agenda. She provided an ESF 16 update as follows: 5 communities have committed to National Preparedness Day, Hartford is currently training a new team and the Get Ready Capitol Region/Citizen Corps Partnership with the Hartford Marathon Foundation is going well. The majority of CERT teams took advantage of the \$1400 grant to purchase new apparel/equipment for their teams. Leftover funds will be used to purchase family preparedness guides and promotional materials.

Bruce Lockwood stated that the City of East Hartford will return a weather station device that was purchased through the FY 07 EOC upgrade project but never used. William Perkins stated that the Regional Incident Management Team would be happy to accept the weather station.

Other Business/ Information

Chairman Lockwood stated that the next meeting is not October 20th, but the 27th because the date of the EPPI has changed its date.

Dave Kosciuk stated that a mass fatality exercise is being conducted on October 24th-October 28th. Participating states include Connecticut, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. This exercise is open to the public and the schedule is as follows:

- 10/25: Scene Management/Evidence Collection
- 10/26: Victim Processing/Mortuary Collection
- 10/27: Family Assistance/Non-Emergency Support for Families

Carmine Centrella stated that The CR-MMRS continues to participate on the Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) of the CT EMS Advisory Board. The document, "Community Planning & Response to Active Assailant & Hybrid Targeted Violence Incidents" is back from comment period and awaiting final editing. Once completed, representatives of the EPC will work to socialize document with first responder groups across the state. The next tasked assigned to the EPC will be reviewing of plans for mass gatherings

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for October 27th, 2016