

**Capitol Region Emergency Planning Committee Meeting
(DEMHS Region 3) (UASI Region 3) October 27, 2016
9:30 a.m.
South Congregational Church, Hartford**

Call to order

Acting Chairman Dustin Rendock called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. Participants introduced themselves and he led the Pledge of Allegiance. Outgoing Chairman Bruce Lockwood was presented with a plaque for his service.

Public Comment

None

Adoption of the Minutes

Don Janelle, seconded by Brian Rykowski, made a motion to accept the minutes of the July 21, 2016, meeting. All in favor, so voted.

Brian Rykowski, seconded by Bobby DiBella, made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. All in favor, so voted.

Federal and State Liaison Reports

Tom Vannini gave a report from DEMHS Region 3. The EPPI exercise will begin on Saturday morning. There will be an LEOP training on November 16th. Please submit your EMPG paperwork. A federal procurement training will be held in December – Cheryl Assis stated that two representatives from the CRCOG Finance Department will attend. Cheryl Assis encouraged all communities to participate in the EPPI exercise stated that it is a CRCOG grant deliverable to collect the AAR's from the EPPI exercise and CRCOG has distributed the form to CEO's and EMD's. DEMHS conducted a homeland security monitoring visit on October 6th. Equipment assigned to the Hartford Bomb Squad, Capitol Region Dive Team, East Hartford Public Works and the Regional Computer Forensics Lab was viewed and demonstrated.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

New Business

Election of Officers –Nominations Committee Chairman Brian Heavren stated that the committee is recommending the following slate of officers: David Kosciuk for Chairman and Jamie DiPace for 2nd Vice-Chairman. There were no nominations from the floor. Don Janelle, seconded by Bobby DiBella made a motion to accept the slate as presented effective immediately. All in favor. So voted.

Vacant RESF Cahir positions- Dustin Rendock stated that ESF 9 Search and Rescue and ESF 15 External Affairs are currently vacant. In addition CRCOG expects to fill the ESF 1 Transportation position shortly.

Presentation on the recent Town of Vernon IMPACT 2016 Full Scale Exercise – Carmine Centrella and Vernon Police Lt. William Meier gave a full presentation on the concepts and objectives of the IMPACT 2016 active shooter exercise held on October 7th. There were over 500 participants from police, fire, EMS, public health and regional response teams (including SWAT teams, Hartford Bomb Squad, ICOMM, and MCV's). Between players, victims, evaluators and controllers almost every community on the Capitol Region was represented. Overall the exercise went very well and the AAR will be shared with the group.

Ebola Exercise Update- Carmine Centrella reported that the Ebola exercise will be held in March. The initial planning meeting will take place on November 15th at the RCC.

ESF- Selected Committee Reports

Cheryl Assis and Bill Perkins reiterated the importance of providing updates for the consent agenda. She and Don Davis provided an ESF 16 update as follows: the Get Ready Capitol Region/Citizen Corps Partnership with the Hartford Marathon Foundation is going well as is the CERT Ambassador program. Bill Perkins stated that CERT members make up the core of the National Preparedness committee. CRCOG will meet with ESPN next week in regard to these programs.

Other Business/ Information

Point of Privilege- Bob Dibella recognized East Hartford Police Lt. Litwin for his outstanding service as the PIO during the recent airplane incident.

Joe Palombizio stated that there will be a presentation at the Ellington Senior Center on November 9th on emergency preparedness.

Don Janelle stated that former ESF 9 Chairman Peter Vernesoni has been relocated to an extended care facility in Virginia.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m. Motion made by Brian Heavren and seconded by Brian Rykowski. All in favor, so voted. The next meeting is scheduled for January 19th, 2017.