Call to order
Chairman David Koscuk called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. He recognized the fact that 40 years ago today was the collapse of the Civic Center roof.

Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Adoption of Minutes
Jay Gonzalez and seconded by Joyce Stille made a motion to accept the minutes from the October 19, 2017 meeting. All in favor. So voted.

Federal and State Liaison Reports
Conor Quinn gave an update from Congressman Larson’s office. The Assistance to Firefighters grant is currently open and accepting applications.

William Turley reported that DEMHS continues to administer the State’s Puerto Rico/Islands Hurricane Relief Effort and weekly conference calls continue to occur. He detailed the number of new students and the Temporary Shelter Assistance Program. There will be a CERT Train the Trainer course in January. There were two meetings recently held for emergency managers. If you still need to be administered the oath, please let him know. The 2018 EPPI will take place in June and focus on a tropical storm. Cheryl Assis stated the EPPI 2017 After Action Reports are due. We have emailed those who have not yet submitted and will continue to follow up.

Unfinished Business
Membership Vote to amend the CREPC by-laws - Carmine Centrella re read section 8.1 which states: The Healthcare Coalition Committee (HCC) is required in accordance with the US Health and human Services HPP and PHEP Cooperative Agreement (CDC-RFA-TP17-1701). The HCC serves as the planning and coordinating body for Region 3 Emergency Support Function 8 – Public Health and Medical Services initiatives. The HCC has established a set of Standard Operating Procedures which are attached to the CRECP By-Laws.

Joyce Stille, seconded by Jay Gonzalez made a motion to accept this By-Laws change. All in favor, so voted.

New Business
FirstNet Update - Michael Varney and Dan Stebbins provided a full update on FirstNet. The contract with the State of Connecticut will be finalized shortly.

Connecticut Relief Efforts for Hurricane Evacuees from Puerto Rico - John Basso expanded on Bill Turley’s previous comments and gave a full report on the situation statewide.
ESF - Selected Committee Reports

RESF-1
William Perkins stated there will be a Traffic Incident Management panel discussion on January 31st.

RESF-8
Steve Huleatt gave an update on flu vaccination efforts. There will be a Statewide Flu Vaccination day on January 27th. We are currently surveying our health departments regarding this.

RESF-6 Don Davis gave a report of recent Citizen Corps Council activities. CERT Training Day was held on September 23rd at the CT Fire Academy with 122 attendees. DEMHS is currently reviewing the “Stop the Bleed” program. The FEMA award to the Connecticut Statewide Citizen Corps Council will be presented on March 15th. The Preparedness Committee met on December 6th.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. The next meeting will be held on January 18th.