

**Capitol Region Emergency Planning Committee
Meeting (DEMHS Region 3) (UASI Region 3)
January 16, 2020
9:30 a.m.
CRCOG, Hartford**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m. Participants introduced themselves and participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment – none

Adoption of the Minutes – Don Janelle seconded by Terri Thompson made a motion to adopt the minutes from the October 17th meeting. All in favor, so voted.

Federal and State Liaison Reports

John Hartenbaum stated that the EPPI Exercises for our region were both completed. The next one will be scheduled for October 2020. The EMPG grant closes on October 31st. Please get in your LEOP's- there are 23 communities with expired plans in our region.

Unfinished Business

Update on Health Care Coalition (HCC) –Cheryl Assis welcomed Steve Huleatt, the former Director of the West Hartford Bloomfield Health District who recently joined CRCOG and will be responsible for the Public Health Emergency Planning grant as well as the MMRS program.

Mr. Huleatt reported that the HCC is now a Statewide Coalition and Dave Koscuk is our Region 3 representative. The PHEP grant is still regional and this one will last for five years. He is starting to get his feet wet with MMRS and more to follow.

FY 17 SHSGP Program - Cheryl Assis reviewed the budget for our current grant year FY 17. If any department has equipment purchased through previous grants that needs to be replaced or maintained please let her know. She reminded the group to submit any training reimbursements for backfill and overtime. If there are additional funds this year, we will continue with the radio replacement project begun last year. Current radio needs would be for the MRC, IMT and I-COMM team.

New Business

Elections Don Janelle (Chair if the Nominations Committee), seconded by Bob DiBella made a motion to close nominations. All in favor, so voted. Don Janelle, seconded by Bob DiBella made a motion to elect Hartford Deputy Police Chief Dustin Rendock as First Vice Chair. All in favor, so voted.

Presentation - James Campbell, Director of Public Safety at the Connecticut Airport Authority gave a full presentation on the recent B-17 incident at Bradley Field. A question and answer session followed.

ESF- Selected Committee Reports

RESF-1 Transportation – Terri Thompson stated they had a presentation on emergency lighting from Whalen at their last meeting. She is looking to coordinate a meeting of all ESF-1 Chairs statewide.

ESF-5 Emergency Management Bill Perkins stated that the Capitol Region Hazard Mitigation Plan is complete, all communities have adopted it and it was just approved by FEMA for 2019-2024. All communities are now eligible for grant funds. The Multi-Year Training and Exercise Plan is currently being finalized and he is working on getting details from all regional teams. There will be an ICS 300 course at the RDD February 21st and 22nd.

CRCOG has formed a Cybersecurity Task Force per DEMHS grant requirements. We have begun meeting with Ken Sayres, IT Director from East Hartford as the Chairman. CRCOG has recently completed model policy templates. If you are interested in joining the group, please let Bill or Cheryl know. We are also working on getting all regional chairs together to discuss best practices and review mission statements.

RESF-6 Sub-Committee for Volunteer Management – Don Janelle stated the group held a meeting on Monday. Cheryl Assis reviewed the list of teams who applied for grants at that time. Don Janelle gave an update regarding the National CERT Association. The State recently sent a survey request to all CERT Team leaders.

RESF-8 CR-MRC –Katherine McCormack gave a full report on Capitol Region Medical Reserve Corps activities. She thanked the Town of West Hartford and Chief Priest for so much assistance with logistics and storage. MRC's statewide are engaged with Leadership Greater Hartford for strategic planning purposes. DPH is getting ready to roll out CT Responds, the new volunteer management system.

Other Business/ Information

There was no other business to come before the group.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am. The next meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2020.