

Plymouth County Emergency Preparedness Coalition

Full Coalition Minutes March 12, 2013

Middleboro Town Hall, 10 Nickerson Ave. Middleboro MA

Attending: Sharon White, Eric Badger, Robert Tinkham, Diane Brown-Couture, Tracy Mayo, Robert Philbrick, Cathleen Drinan, Donna Tremontana, Arthur Boyle, Henny Walters, Amanda Stone, Marcia Benes, Karen Walega, Dale Barrows, Catherine Hassert, Lisa Cullity, Michelle Roberts, Jeri Batchelder, Bob Ethier, Jeanne Benincasa, Sandy Landry

Meeting convened at 1:06pm

There was a motion by Dale Barrows, seconded by Robert Tinkham to approve the January minutes. All in Favor.

Guest Speakers

Ross Perry of SRPEDD discussed the possibility of technical assistance for e-Government and said he was open to assist with possible funding opportunities. E-Government was defined as using Internet access to municipal forms and documents, downloading permits, paying tax bills online, electronic posting of schedules, agendas, events, etc. Also the possibility of Reverse 911 and social media.

SRPEDD's role could be in project management, bringing municipal reps together to develop RFP's if necessary, to conduct evaluations and negotiate with a selected vendor.

Michael Coughlin, from the DPH Commissioner's office briefly addressed the Coalition on the topic of exploring regional collaborative opportunities. He will be sending out a copy of the slide presentations via MAHB.

Executive Committee Report – Janice McCarthy stated that the Board would receive Equipment requests until a deadline of March 15th. The requests for data lines will be factored into the available funds for communications. Marcia Benes asked if there was interest in obtaining emergency cots, as Jeanne Spalding has offered to put together a bulk purchase order. Marcia Benes will be creating a spreadsheet based on responses received by March 15th, for the Executive Board to be able to decide on how to spend down the remaining funds at their April meeting.

Sandy Landry and Jeanne Benincasa gave brief updates on their planning and MRC related activities.

The statewide advisory committee meeting was postponed, so there was no LSAC report from representative Lisa Cullity

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A motion to adjourn was made at 2:25 by Dale Barrows, seconded by Eric Badger.

The next meeting will be held on May 14, 2013

Respectfully submitted by Marcia Benes