

Steele County CAER Minutes October 20, 2010 7:00 PM

Location:

Owatonna EOC

Introductions

Call to Order:

The Business Meeting was called to order by Tom Karnauskas at 7:00 PM.

Attendees:

Tom Karnauskas, Milo Dahlin, Raymond Truelson, Dennis Hollatz, Mary Fink, O. Dalle, Shirley Woodfill, Chris Gannon, Karen Fountaine, Sandee Hardy-Hagen, Mike Johnson

Approvals:

Routine business review included:

1. Minutes of July 21, 2010 General Meeting, were approved.
2. The Treasurer's Report was approved.
 - o Balance on Hand: US Bank Statement thru 10-20-10 \$1,937.34
 - o Check written to Shirley Woodfill for \$126.50
 - o No Deposits made
3. Intsy Prints Grant for \$150 to be used by December 31, 2010

Old Business

- Shirley Woodfill is coordinating the updating of volunteer badges
- Tom reminded members to check the CAER Meeting Planner for newspaper article dates.
- Flood gauge readings have been forwarded to the Army Corp of Engineers
- Ray suggested that an updated contact list of CAER members should be maintained. Shirley will coordinate the Master List.
- Due to the resignation of Greg Lindholm, CAER does not have a MN VOAD designee. A suggestion was made that Matt Durand should be contacted by Chris Gannon, to ask if he would be willing to fill this role.

New Business

1. Tom reminded CAER members that November is the annual CAER meeting. The terms for Karen Fountaine-VP/Secretary and Board Members, Lon Thiele and Sandee Hardy-Hagen, expire. Karen agreed to serve for one more 2 year term.
2. Ray Truelson told members that the Regional Review Commission has 4 openings. Ray explained that this commission reviews county emergency plans. Interested members should contact Ray.

Member Reports

CERT-Shirley reported that over 60 CERT volunteers responded to assist with the local flood response. The annual CERT meeting is scheduled for the 1st Thursday in January. No CERT classes are scheduled at this time.

MRC-Karen reported that a Steele County MRC member and 2 public health nurses, had worked in Behavioral Health at the Disaster Recovery Center. She also reported that SCPH is working with Homeland Health Specialists to hold 3 Community Influenza Vaccination Clinics in Steele County in November.

SKYWARN-Members have reviewed the flood response and river gauge monitoring. Results will be forwarded to the Army Corp of Engineers. There will be a fundraiser breakfast at the VFW on December 12. Tickets are available from members

Clothesline-Mary reported that 12 families have been helped so far with bedding and clothing following the flood. The community responded with many donated items.

Steele County Emergency Manager Report

Mike reported that Chris Gannon will be assisting him with Emergency Manager Responsibilities for the next 4 months. Mike said that he was very appreciative of all of the support that he had received during the flood response. The prior working relationships that have been established over the many years, enabled responders and agencies to work together very effectively during the flood event. . Mike gave a PowerPoint presentation outlining and reviewing the timeline for the Steele County flood. He had used the same PowerPoint presentation when he appeared at the legislative hearings. The information enabled legislators to grasp the magnitude of the flood in SE Minnesota. He said that a critique of the local flood response has not yet been scheduled

Adjournment

Next Meeting is scheduled for November 17 at 7:00 PM

Topic: Annual Meeting