2009-Apr-15 7:00 PM General Meeting

Location:

Owatonna EOC

Attendees:

John Taylor-911 Center; Mike Johnson-Emergency Management; Shirley Woodfill-CERT; Lon Thiele-Steele County Sheriff; Craig Strand-HSEM; Matt Arthur-Amateur Radio; Greg Lindholm-MNVOAD; Elizabeth Auppl-CAER President; Karen Fountaine-Public Health; Stacy Mielke-Owatonna Hospital; Mary Fink-Steele Cty Clothesline; Roger Swearingen-Ellendale Emergency Management; Karen Knudsen-Ibberson-CERT; Jerry Ibberson-Guest

Minutes approved as submitted by unanimous vote without objection.

March Treasurers Report approved as submitted by unanimous vote without objection.

Citizen Corp Reports

CERT: Shirley Woodfill

- Grant Update- has been closed as of today -obtained some equipment for the Fire Corp along with some training material.
- 7 people recently signed up for CERT

Owatonna Hospital: Stacy Mielke

• Will be participating in the Statewide Tornado Drill next week - Code Orange to test disaster response.

Medical Reserve Corp/Public Health Report: Karen Fountaine

• 108 people attended Pandemic Influenza Forum - great turnout.

Red Cross Report: Greg Lindholm

No Report

Emergency Medical Services: Rick Ellingson

No Report

MN VOAD: Greg Lindholm

• Looking for people to get involved. Working on updating website.

Skywarn: Dave Purscell

No Report

ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service): Tom Karnauskas

- Met with CERT President to do training on how to add info to the Emergency Management Web Portal.
- Working with Shirley Woodfill on volunteer badge system.
- Put another 3 antennas on the roof.

Law Enforcement: Lon Thiele

• Congratulations to Lon Thiele and his wife on the birth of their new daughter

Steele County Emergency Manager Report: Mike Johnson

- Mike gave an overview of Emergency Management for new CAER members.
- Statewide Tornado Drill on April 23rd. 1st drill at 1:45pm- 2nd drill at 6:55pm.
- Incident Command Training. NIMS class- IS700 & ICS100 entry level online courses to familiarize everyone with the Incident Command System. May 11-13 at the Owatonna Fire Hall ICS300 class. Registration is closed at this time.
- Planning Grant- Mitigation Plan with FEMA.
- Emergency Operations Plan is available on the Emergency Management Web Portal.
- House File 1378- Bill to create funds to be available during disasters instead of waiting for Legislative Approval. Mike urged everyone to contact their Legislator for support.
- Insty Prints Grant- \$150 to be used in 2009.

HSEM Report: Craig Strand

- CP Rail is interested in starting additional CAER groups in SE Minnesota. Steele County CAER should make contact.
- Craig gave update on 800 MHz ARMER program.
- Fargo/Moorhead area flooding still another 2 weeks of flooding expected.

Other Business/Round Table Discussion:

- Volunteer Badge Update- Still a work in progress. Shirley Woodfill working with Tom Karnauskas.
- 501(c)(3) for CAER- Next step is legal advice(Motion) Elizabeth Auppl volunteering to write Articles of Incorporation. Motion made- 2nd- Motion carried.
- Mitigation Plan- Mike Johnson- Tabled
- Next meeting in Owatonna on May 20th…12 noon.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm