

# **Steele County CAER Minutes**

**July 20, 2016**

**6:30 PM**

## **Location:**

Owatonna Fire Hall

## **Call To Order:**

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Tom Karnauskas.

## **Attendees:**

Iris Johnson, Tom Karnauskas, Jerry Ibberson, Barb Ruhter, Alec Newbowers, Dee Kirschner, Gina Shepherd

## **Routine Approvals:**

- Minutes of May 18, 2016 were approved.
- Treasurer's Report was approved. Balance unchanged at \$1801.77.

## **Old Business:**

1. Credential Update:
  - a. Waiting on Mike's return. First batch of 50 are still not completed.
2. CAER shirts for members. Tom will contact Court Sports for information on polo shirts with logo.
3. Blood Bourne Pathogens Training waiting on Mike's return.
4. Mass Sheltering – Jerry has questions for Mike.

## **New Business:**

1. Tom updated MNVOAD contact persons and their information.

## **Member Reports**

### **CERT**

CERT has been working on sign up for the fair using Sign Up Genius. Bonnie sent out a test and seemed to work. We are going to have an interactive "duck pond" with small prizes at the fair trying to draw in people. Also working on the Fall Class schedule. Jerry has been organizing the CERT supplies at the base.

### **Salvation Army**

We do have our back to school program and Shop With A Cop program coming up. I have attached the flier for the back to school program.

## **SCPH/MRC**

1. Pertussis infection is occurring in surrounding counties. SCPH has sent information out to persons who work with summer youth programs to be on the alert for symptoms of pertussis.
2. Zika virus continues to be a concern for persons who travel to areas where the zika virus is present such as the Caribbean, Mexico, and Central and South America. All cases that have occurred in Minnesota have been linked to travel to these areas. The main concern is for pregnant women or women who may become pregnant because the zika virus can cause birth defects in the developing fetus.
3. CDC is recommending that no Flu Mist (intranasal) be administered this next influenza season. Data from last season showed that the Flu Mist was not effective at preventing influenza.