2009-Jul-15 7:00 PM General Meeting

Location:

Owatonna EOC

Attendees:

Mike Johnson-Emergency Management; Paula Burshem-Ellendale Red Cross; Matt Arthur-Amateur Radio; Roger Swearinge-Ellendale Emergency Management; Elizabeth Aupple-CAER President; Karen Fountaine-Public Health; Shirley Woodfill-Cert; Tom Karnauskas-RACES, Sandee Hardy Hagen-CERT; Stacy Mielke-Owatonna Hospital

No meeting minutes for May/June.

Citizen Corp Reports

CERT: Sandy Hardy Hagen

- Discussed their involvement with local parades
- Sent out a schedule to its member for the Steele County Free Fair
- CERT will be participating in a drill

Red Cross Report: Alysia Yaeger

- The Red Cross received the Walmart grant in November 2008 and has been using grant money to prepare our region for an emergency. The grant has bought three trailers for the Red Cross.
- The Red Cross is currently working with Ellendale to move and store supplies there.
- The Red Cross will be participating in an aviation drill on September 19, 2009 at the Rochester Airport.

Public Health Report/Medical Reserve Corp: Karen Fountaine

• Discussion around H1N1 planning and vaccination

Owatonna Hospital: Stacy Mielke

• The hospital is preparing for its move to the new facility.

Skywarn: Tom Karnauskas

- Skywarn has adopted the Honey Well instant Alert System.
- Skywarn was dispatched on June 17, 2009 and had a really good turnout.

RACES/ARES: Tom Karnauskas

• RACES/Oscar had their Emergency Drill/Contest the last weekend of June and pictures are located on the website.

MN VOAD: Greg Lindholm

No Report

Salvation Army: Mark Kreutter

No Report

Emergency Medical Services: Rick Ellingson

No Report

Law Enforcement: Lon Thiele

No Report

Steele County Emergency Manager Report: Mike Johnson

- Mike Johnson gave an overview of the mitigation grant.
- Mike Johnson is working with Elmer Rieslen to develop an evacuation plan for the Steele County Free Fair.
- Damage Assessments can be completed by community agencies. The agencies will receive a chalk talk (training) and be able to go out and do the task.
- Rice and Steel County are still in the process of picking a notification system similar to City Watch.

Other Business/Round Table Discussion:

- Anything that needs to be posted to the Emergency Management Portal needs to forwarded to Tom Karnauskas.
- 501(c)(3) for CAER-Hold until next meeting
- Tom Karnauskas motioned for CAER to purchase a plaque for Craig Strand to thank him for his work with Steele County CAER. This motion was seconded by Roger Swearinger.
- Tom Karnauskas motioned for the President of CAER to nominate Craig Strand for the RPC award. This motion was seconded by Elizabeth Auppl.
- Mike Johnson suggested holding the meetings and the "usual" time of 7:00 PM. (Some conflict with noon meetings is that some on this Board attend safety council meetings at that time.) Matt Arthur motioned for the CAER meeting to be held in each community. The meeting would be held in the communities in ABC order. Seconded Roger Swearinger.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm