

## **CERT Members Meeting**

**July 24, 2019**

**Called to order:** 6:30 pm by Tom Karnauskas

**Members present:** Iris Johnson, Bonnie Johnson, Tim Johnson, Bob Beier, Elizabeth Zerby, Barb Ruhter, Tom Karnauskas, Mohammed Kazemi

### **Steele County Free Fair**

1. Staff only on Thursday, Friday & Saturday from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm.
2. All volunteer groups help – CERT, Skywarn & Races.
3. Have 3 weather radios as drawing prizes – one per day.
4. Need a list of topics to discuss.
5. Bonnie Johnson to do Sign Up Genius & sent link to Tom Karnauskas so that he can give it to Skywarn & Races.
6. Try to have 3 volunteers in each time slot.
7. Check CET Base for fair items to use at SCFF – Bonnie & Iris
8. Per Bob Beier, for each shift a volunteer works they can show their county badge at Waseca Snobiz then receive one item free.

### **Night to Unite**

1. Do not go out with fire department.
2. Each group goes separately.
3. Meet at the firehall to receive a list of block parties to attend and pickup handouts.
4. Bonnie to do a Sign Up Genius.
5. Iris to let Elizabeth Zerby know what the hours are.
6. Hours to be determined.

### **Training Opportunities**

1. New Members Class
2. Refresher Training
3. New topics not covered before.
4. Callouts not trained including traffic control, sheltering, disaster assessment, first aid, documentation, search and rescue, Armer Radio 800 MHz, tornadoes, flood, heat, winter storms, hazmat, other extended topics in manual, earthquake, CPR, animals, leadership
5. Add on classes not CERT only

### **Misc. Topics**

1. No meeting in August due to the fair. CERT meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of even months.
2. Motion by Bonnie Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Beier to hold First Aid training in Oct was passed. Helpers Iris Johnson, Bob Beier & Barb Ruhter. Bonnie to ask Lori Heslep if she is willing to teach the class. Iris to remind Bob Beier during the fair to talk with Lori also. Open to all CAER members.
3. Maybe do shelter training in December and open to all CAER members.

4. Tom Karnauskas approved Iris Johnson's request to purchase 20 – 1.5" binders for participant manuals.
5. At present Call Outs are handled by Bonnie Johnson, 911 Center and Tom Karnauskas. Once the call out lists are updated a
6. Other CERT can be added to do the call outs so that there is back up.
7. Tom Karnauskas to create a CERT Room in Camp Fire so that the CERT Core Group can communicate with each other. A password is required.

### **CERT S&R Review Action Steps**

1. Create better instructions – Iris to review forms in CERT manual and revise to use during S&R. Include instructions about not using names over the radios. Iris to ask a member that attended the training to help her.
2. Tom Karnauskas to work on a communication plan.
3. Bonnie Johnson to work on a plan to maintain lines and add to final instructions. Bonnie to ask a member that attended the training to help her.
4. Developing a crosswalk will be worked on later.
5. Bob Beier is creating a list of items to go in a S&R go kit. Add white or pink tape or flags to mark found items.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.**

**Further CERT meetings will be published at a future date.**