

**Steele County CERT  
Members Meeting  
20-Jul-2022**



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

**Location:** Owatonna Fire Department – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

**Attendees:** Arthur Bartholomew, Bob Beier, Dennis Hollatz, Iris Johnson, Phillip Parker, Jean Reese, Kristen Sailer, Sherry Segal, Tom Thiele,

**Topics:**

1. Preparations for the Steele County Free Fair (Aug 16-21)
  - a. Staffing Safety Alley.
    - i. Previous discussion was to staff on Thu, Fri, and Sat. Group reaffirmed that plan.
    - ii. Discussion resulted in a plan for 2 hour shifts from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM each day.
    - iii. Each shift should have 2 individuals.
    - iv. Sign-Up Genius will be used across CERT, RACES, and SKYWARN groups.
    - v. Volunteers working Safety Alley will be eligible for a free food item from specific food vendors.
  - b. Trailer
    - i. Potential to have the red Rehab trailer and the white EOC trailer.
    - ii. Trailers are stored at Steele County Highway Department.
    - iii. Material will need to be brought out to the fairgrounds.
  - c. Giveaways
    - i. Suggestions were made about printed material and possible trinkets to be given away. Suggestions are being added to suggestions from the SKYWARN meeting.
    - ii. SCEM is looking at what is currently on hand and what might be able to be purchased.
    - iii. Potential to have a drawing for a weather radio or weather station to gather more traffic to trailer.
2. CERT New Member Class
  - a. Dates and Location
    - i. Previously suggested begin date of 20-Sep was affirmed.
    - ii. One additional day (total 10 sessions) is being added to accommodate in person ICS training.
    - iii. Plan to use OFD as the venue.
  - b. Participant Registration
    - i. Registration will be processed through Community Ed.
    - ii. Goal is to utilize Safety Alley at the SCFF for additional interest.
  - c. Assignments
    - i. Initial assignments were made using the class checklist.
    - ii. Meeting scheduled for 24-Aug (6:30 PM at OFD) to finalize class schedule and instructors.