

Connecticut Statewide Citizen Corps Council

Advisory Committee Minutes

June 19, 2014

(Held at COGCNV Waterbury, CT)

Attendees: William Austin (Chairman); Sue Prosi (SWRPA); Virginia Mason (COGCNV); Barry Rickert (Southbury EMD/FM); Paul Gibb (PSTF/R5); Norma Peterson (Fairfield CCC); (Lisa King-Riley (HVCEO/Danbury Health); Joe Perrelli (COGCNV); Viola Heath (CRCOG)

Chairman Austin called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance and introductions.

Public Comments: None

Approval of Meeting Minutes: A motion to approve the May 15, 2014 meeting minutes was made by Virginia Mason seconded by Norma Peterson. All in favor so voted.

Abstained: Sue Prosi. **Discussion:** there was discussion regarding the September and October meeting dates in which the following changes were made: the September meeting date was changed to September 18, 2014, and the October meeting date was changed to October 17, 2014.

Guest Speaker: Barry Rickert, Southbury EMD, thanked the Council for inviting him to speak. Barry spoke about Southbury CERT, their origination, sustainability, and achievements. Barry also talked of how he is utilizing the Knights of Columbus who will assist with points of distribution (POD) within the town. Barry stated that CERTS are a great group but they are not the only group in town, each town has resources they have not thought about.

Old Business

Correspondence: Chairman Austin reported very little correspondence was received and sent.

Informational Messages: Chairman Austin reported informational message 37 has been issued so far this month.

DEMHS Report: No report.

American Legion Report: No report.

Statewide Operational Update: Updates and changes were made to applicable levels.

DEMHS Website Citizen Corps Information: No report.

Draft Guide on DEMHS CERT Grants: No report.

Training Symposium Conference: Chairman Austin reported the first conference meeting was held this morning and that the conference will be held at Waters Edge, Wednesday, October 16, 2014.

New Business

Funding Requests:

Category A DEMHS:

Milford approved for \$1,200 to train a CERT basic training class of 14 people.

Milford approved for \$1,200 to train a second CERT basic training class of 14 people

A motion to approve these Category A funding requests was made by Virginia Mason, seconded by Norma Peterson. All in favor so voted. There was discussion made by Sue Prosi concerning the two classes, however, the motion stood.

Category A Foundation: Torrington approved for \$1,200 to train a CERT basic class of 15 people.

A motion to approve this funding request was made by Norma Peterson, seconded by Paul Gibb. All in favor so voted.

Category B: No funding requests made.

Category C: North West Hills COG approved for \$3,000 **SWRPA** approved for \$3,000 **COGCNV** approved for \$3,000 and **Housatonic** approved for \$3,000

A motion to approve these Category C requests was made by Sue Prosi, seconded by Virginia Mason. All in favor so voted.

Special Grant Requests: None.

Tabled Request: None.

Fiscal Year 2011 Funding: Chairman Austin reported that fiscal year 2011 funds are closed out.

Regional Council Updates:

- Paul Gibb reported some CERTs in his area have been activated for the June 21st drill.
- Chairman Austin reported this meeting was the last meeting of the fiscal year and Viola Heath would no longer be handling administration for the Council. Chairman Austin thanked Viola for her assistance.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 pm.

Next Meeting Date: July 17, 2014, in West Hartford

Future meeting dates for 2014; September 18; October 17; November 20; and December 18th