

**Connecticut Statewide Citizen Corps Council
Advisory Committee Minutes
March 6, 2012**

Attendees: See attached.

Chairman Austin called the meeting to order at 2:37 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance and introductions.

Public Comments: None

Approval of Meeting Minutes: A motion to approve the February 16, 2012 meeting minutes was made by Norma Peterson seconded by Virginia Mason. All in favor so voted.

Correction to Minutes: Category A should read: Town of Vernon approved for \$1,625 for basic training of 25 people. Category B, the Manchester motion should read: was seconded by Jim Larkin

Guest Speaker: None

Report on State DEMHS Coordinating Council Meeting: No report.

Old Business:

- Correspondence: Chairman Austin read correspondence received and sent.
- American Legion NET Program Update: No report.
- DEMHS Report: Gary Ruggiero announced CERT Weekend will be held September 29 and 30, 2012 at the Fire Academy, Windsor Locks. He also announced the parking garage at Sigourney Street will close for repairs as of March 13, 2012 and in April 2012 DEMHS will move to Middletown.
- 2012 Statewide Conference Update: Chairman Austin talked about the success of the 2012 conference and discussion was had regarding the 2013 dates. A motion to hold the 2013 conference the Tuesday and Wednesday following Labor Day, September 3 and 4 was made by Joel Severance and seconded by Dagmar Noll. All in favor so voted.
- **Statewide Operational Update:** Updates and changes were made to applicable levels.

New Business:

CERT Weekend: CERT weekend will be held September 29, and 30, at the Fire Academy, Windsor Locks.

Hartford Hospital HERT (Hospital Emergency Response Team): Chairman Austin informed the Council that Hartford Hospital has interest in forming a HERT, training approximately one hundred individuals to serve within the hospital. Chairman Austin announced more information to come in future meetings.

CERT Team Funding And Funding Requests:

Category A:

Hamden approved for \$1,625 for basic CERT training for 25 people.

A motion to approve this Category A request was made by Virginia Mason, seconded by Dagmar Noll. All in favor so voted.

Category B:

Hamden approved for \$1,200 for shelter operations.

A motion to approve this Category B request was made by Dagmar Noll, seconded by David Hannon. All in favor so voted.

Category C:

No requests

Category D:

No requests

Special Funding Request

CRCOG to purchase 350 backpacks for \$21,000 estimated.

A motion to approve this special request was made by Virginia Mason, seconded by Joel Severance. All in favor so voted.

Encumbrances

Disability Team: A motion made by Joel Severance seconded by Dagmar Noll to encumber \$2,000 for the disability team printing costs and public education. All in favor so voted.

Conference Cost: A motion to encumber \$15,000 for conference purchased items was made by Joel Severance seconded by David Hannon. All in favor so voted.

Other Business:

- Dagmar Noll reported her area was in partnership with the Red Cross disaster action teams this month; future partnership would be more CERT driven. They are working to solidify a relationship with the Red Cross.
- Virginia Mason reported her area towns are using the NET brochures with and without CERT as public education.
- Chairman Austin announced anyone who would like NET brochures should contact him.
- In answering the question if there was a requirement to do background checks, Chairman Austin stated that as a Council, they were not in position to say monies could be spent to do background checks.

Next Meeting Date: 2:00 P.M. April 19, 2012 at West Hartford Town Hall, Council Chambers Room 314.

Future meeting dates for 2012: May 17, June 21, July 19, August – No Meeting, September 20, October 18, November 15, and December 20.