

Plymouth County Emergency Preparedness Coalition

Full Coalition Minutes DATE November 12, 2013 1-3pm

Middleboro Town Hall, 10 Nickerson Ave. Middleboro MA

Attending: Tara Tradd, Robert Tinkham, Tracy Mayo, Cathleen Drinan, Arthur Boyle, Henny Walters, Amanda Stone, Karen Walega, Peter Falabella, Dale Barrows, Jeanne Spalding, Catherine Hassert, Lisa Cullity, Michelle Roberts, Jeri Batchelder, Janice McCarthy, Robert Casper, Robert Ethier, Marcia Benes

The meeting began at 1:05 with a motion by Rob Tinkham second by Dale Barrows to approve the September minutes.

Executive Board Announcements – Janice McCarthy explained the need to make sure everyone is up to date on ICS trainings. Anyone attending coalition meetings should have ICS 100, 200 and NIMS 700.

Web EOC training- Kerry Evans, who works at the Office for Preparedness and Emergency Mgt at DPH – Web EOC is an online situational awareness tool for use during disasters. This will count for a deliverable this quarter and prepare everyone for a Resource Request Drill, which is a deliverable for Q3 that will be done using WebEOC. MAHB will award one .5 CEU for RS/CHO for this workshop.

Gap Analysis -The coalition discussed the identification of two functional and access needs priorities to submit to the MDPH/LSAC gap analysis – Lisa Cullity will report the results of this discussion back to DPH and LSAC. This will also meet a deliverable.

LSAC Update – Lisa Cullity provided an update of the LSAC meeting. She said that health boards should expect more redundancy. It is obvious that for the first 72 hours during any emergency, towns are on their own.

Kit in a box - If you were to go to a shelter, for Medical Needs, Access Needs – what should be brought? Medical needs assistants must be identified when they come to a shelter. Make sure people have the items they need – walkers etc. when they come.

Jeanne Spalding said that the emphasis should be on sheltering in place which is not an option without heat. Cathy Drinan commented that many elderly were not able to shovel themselves out.

Budget Report - Marcia Benes did not receive any questions regarding the MAHB monthly financial report.

Elections for Executive Committee (one position) – only one nomination was received for incumbent chair Janice McCarthy. A motion in favor of Janice McCarthy was made by Arthur Boyle with a second by Lisa Cullity with all voting in favor. A motion to adjourn was made at 2:40 by Dale Barrows with a second from Bob Ethier. All in favor.

Next Full Coalition Meeting to be held January 14, 2014

Submitted by Marcia Benes

Signed by Janice McCarthy_____ Jan. 14 2014