

EMO PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, November 25, 2010

In Attendance: Brad Burstall
Vern Fraser
Steve Menzies
Jack Galley
Dave Walsh
George Thomson
Don Clarke
Debbie Mahoney
Cheryl Grosvold
Brian DeAthe
Eric Smith
Tim Harding
Janet Moore

Absent with regrets: Bob Ashley
Hartt McKinlay

1. Call to Order

The EMO meeting was called to order at 3:07pm

2. Approval of Agenda

The EMO Agenda was approved as circulated.

3. Approval of Previous Minutes – The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as distributed.

4. New Business:

(a) Revised EMO Act

Mr. Vern Fraser noted that the revised EMO Act is on the web, if any committee members would like to access it. Chantal also has a hard copy, if someone would like same.

(b) Project "Lifesaver"

Ron and Nancy Arenburg gave a presentation on "Project Lifesaver". This is a program designated to "bringing loved one's home"...specializing in locating people with Alzheimer's and/or Autism.

(c) JEPP Opportunities

It was noted that the Jetstream JT-PS14M, that is on the JEPP list, should be a higher amp than 14 amp.

Mr. Burstall asked for an official quote for the Amateur Radio requests, so it could be submitted with the JEPP application.

Mr. Thompson will inquire as to internet access/rotor usage for the new EOC location (possible JEPP application item, if needed).

It was suggested that power bars and sound absorbing partitions should be added to the JEPP application as well.

(d) Large Event Emergency Planning

This is covered under the revised EMO Act.

(e) Recommendations Review (Kortland Exercise Report)

We will request, by way of these Minutes, that Gary Smith send the Kortland Report out to the EMO members upon his return in January.

Discussion ensued with regard to some of the recommendations in the report, many of which are not applicable now that the EOC will be changing location.

It was noted that more flip charts, markers and such supplies could be of use and perhaps could be added to the JEPP application.

(f) ID – Brian DeAthe

Mr. DeAthe passed around, to the committee, some examples of ID, from his organization as possible options for EMO.

(g) Berwick Maps

Mr. Burstall suggested that EMO obtain hard copies of maps of the Town. The committee also suggested electronic maps would be very beneficial so they could be shown over the projector, in time of need, and when required. Chantal Pineo-Atwood will send Mr. Burstall an electronic map of the Town of Berwick.

(h) 2011 Calender of EMO Meetings

The following meeting dates were set:

January 20th, March 31st, May 26^{ht}, July 21st (if needed), September 15th and November 24th – all meetings begin at 3pm.

Brian DeAthe explained that there has been transmitter trouble with florescent lighting (T5 or T8), especially in steel buildings. Its been difficult to communicate with these factors. It would be improved with a special antenna, which is easily accessible.

4. Ongoing Business:

(a) EOC Relocation Status:

Mr. Burstall asked for a show of hands, from the committee, in support, or not, of the EOC change of location from Berwick Town Hall to the WKM Health Centre (2nd Floor). There was a unanimous show of hands of support of the move. This will be forwarded to Town of Berwick Council for approval, in December.

5. Adjournment

The EMO meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.