

Mighty Londonderry
Community Resilience Organization
Minutes - August 1, 2017

Attendees: Bruce Frauman, Kevin Beattie, Dick Dale, Jennifer Probst

1. Meeting called to order by Bruce Frauman at 6:30 pm.
 2. Minutes of meeting of May 2, 2017 were approved.
 3. Table Top Exercise. We settled on Oct. 21 as the date, with Nov. 4 as a back-up date. The time will be 9 am to 1 pm. All this is contingent on approval from Rich Cogliano. Content will wait until Kevin is able to get advice from Rich.
 - 3b. Jennifer noted that the DEMHS conference is scheduled for Sept 15-16. Kevin and Jennifer are going. Dick and Bruce will consider going based on the agenda. We will provide information about the conference to Paul Gordon.
 4. VT Alert. Bruce will ask Stephanie Thompson if she has heard back from the state. She told him the letter was sent June 20 and that Jim Ameden will be the representative for the Select Board.
 5. Flood Brook as a shelter. At the last RED meeting, Bruce told Neal McIntyre that cots and blankets were ready from the Red Cross in Rutland. Jennifer will follow up with Greg Harrington, the facilities director at Flood Brook School and plans to pick up the cots herself.
- Jennifer said the Red Cross is holding a Disaster Boot Camp in Rutland from Aug 18-20. On Sunday, Aug 20, the focus will be on shelter fundamentals with information in the morning and a demonstration in the afternoon. Bruce and Dick are unavailable. Kevin will be filling the Dunk Tank for the Pingree Park Fun day in the morning. Jennifer will go and collect written materials.
- Jennifer will modify the flyers from the Red Cross to highlight what is directly applicable to area residents interested in becoming shelter volunteers. Bruce will forward this information to the Community Partners email list. He can not attend the next Community Partners meeting.
- 5b. Generators. Dick noted that the installation of a generator for the town office building is hung up on the wetlands issue. The Planning Commission is still waiting for prints from the engineers on the Town Office Planning Project. Kevin said it may be time to push but noted that the Emergency Operation Center is the Rescue Squad

Building.

Dick moved to go to the Select Board on Aug 21 if no action has been taken before then and ask for more expedited action on the generator, uncoupling the generator from the other aspects of the project. Jennifer seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

6. CRO Mini-Grants. Jennifer has talked with the new CRO director, Mindy. Three mini-grants were rewarded to the other still active groups. CRO Dick said we need to get past the table top exercise first. Kevin said we need to turn to public education, that the CRO mission of resilience is bigger than Emergency Management. Jennifer said it can include celebrations, trainings, anything that brings people together. Dick would like to enlist help from the Community Partners group.

With Mighty Londonderry, there are four active groups and two still forming. Jennifer said other groups are more active with classes, flood mitigation, tree planting, and more.

7. Recruitment. Kevin said he would like to see more people at this table with broader perspectives. Dick said that after the table top exercise, we may be able to attract more people. Kevin suggested holding a joint meeting with the Conservation Commission after Dick suggested that it and the CRO have some similar issues. We will explore where we cross paths.

8. Next meeting. **The next meeting is set for Tuesday, Sept 12 at 6:00 pm.** We will meet on the 2nd Tuesday of every month.

9. Not other business

10. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

Submitted by Bruce Frauman, Chair
Aug 1, 2017.