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Jefferson County Homeland Security & Emergency Management Public Awareness, Education & Training Committee June 9, 2010 Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. No Minutes of May 19, 2010 meeting
- III. Old Business
 - a. February and December Snowstorms
 - b. Boy Scouts Emergency Preparedness Badges
 - c. Disaster Ready Kids 2010 Program
 - d. National Preparedness Month September
 - i. Business Continuity Planning Workshops September 20

IV. New Business

- a. Red Cross upcoming classes
- b. 167th Airlift Wing Air Show Exercise
- c. June 1, 2010 Beginning of Hurricane Season
- d. New CERT Videos for training sessions
- e. EOC Operations and Planning for All Hazards training on August 9-11 at The Aikens Center in Martinsburg
- f. Jefferson County Fair August 22 28
- g. Recommended EMI Course for June IS-11 Animals in Disaster Module B
- V. Member Sharing Time
- VI. Adjournment

The next meeting of the Jefferson County Homeland Security and Emergency Management's Public Awareness, Education and Training Committee will be held on **Wednesday**, **July** 14 at the Jefferson County EOC at 9:00 a.m.

Jefferson County Homeland Security and Emergency Management Public Awareness Committee June 09, 2010 Minutes

Jefferson County Homeland Security and Emergency Management's Public Awareness Committee met at the Jefferson County EOC on June 09, 2010 at 9am. Present were: Barbara Miller, JCHSEM; Terri Mehling, JCHSEM; Jennifer Maggio, JCHSEM; Mike Davis and Patricia Davis, CERT Volunteers; Al Cates and Irene Cates, AARP and David Stevens and Christian Cunningham, 167th Air Wing.

Introductions

Terri Mehling, JCHSEM Deputy Director opened the meeting.

Old Business

Ms. Mehling announced Jefferson County has been added into the Declaration for the December 2010 snow storm. We are currently working hard on getting all paper work and figures needed to be approved in both the December and February Declarations. Ms. Miller noted all of Jefferson County's information is nearly complete. The 22nd of this month will be the cut off to submit any additional information. Once the papers are in by 22nd and 60 days beyond is the time they have to get their paper work together and submit their grant application. Once FEMA receives all of the grant applications for the State then they will put all of the information together and write one check to the State of West Virginia. The State then sends a letter to all applicants with additional paperwork to fill out. Ms. Miller gave an approximate period of 5 months before we receive a check. Ms. Miller reminded everyone if we do not have a snow fall of record next year we will not be receiving any money from FEMA so it would be a good idea to save money.

Ms. Mehling reported two Boy Scouts asked Ms. Miller if they could interview her as part of a project to earn their emergency preparedness badges. Ms. Miller accepted.

Ms. Mehling reported letters have been sent out to day care centers and libraries in Jefferson County for the upcoming Disaster Ready Kids 2010 Program. During that time volunteers will be reading to children about weather related preparedness. Mr. and Ms. Davis will be reading at the Charles Town Library in July to a total of 50 children.

Ms. Mehling reviewed upcoming events for National Preparedness Month. Some events included will be: Lunch-N-Learn sessions each Thursday in September; National Preparedness night on September 1st; disaster preparedness with seniors; BCP workshop September 20. JCHSEM has ordered materials from Channing Bete which includes National Preparedness Month signs that will be distributed to each Municipality. Ms. Mehling reviewed her idea of a photo contest for National Preparedness Month. Residents of Jefferson County will have the opportunity to send in photos of their disaster kit. Each picture will be reviewed and only three will be chosen, those three will receive a prize. A proclamation will be signed by the County Commission declaring September as NPM. Ms. Mehling will be calling Home Depot in Ranson to see if they can offer home owners a discount on materials they would use to mitigate any problems they may have at home as well as the possibility of having a fire extinguisher demonstration on a Saturday with the hopes that participants purchase a fire extinguisher. If Home Depot is unable to demonstrate we will try to ask Citizens Fire Company. We will also be asking Wal-

Mart to provide discounts on items used in a disaster kit. JCHSEM will provide them with a list of items. Ms. Mehling noted Ms. Miller has asked a lot of agencies in the area to participate and try to do an activity on their own. Ms. Mehling suggested MS. Maggio team up with AARP to do a presentation for seniors. Ms. Maggio will be working with Rob Perks Channel 19, local radio stations and newspapers to announce daily preparedness tips. Ms. Miller noted during the LEPC meeting the Health Department announced they will be working on an exercise in September. They are looking at how to get agencies medication within 48 hours.

New Business

Ms. Palmer who is the new Emergency Services Director for the Eastern Panhandle Red Cross Chapter was unavailable to review upcoming Red Cross classes. Ms. Mehling noted if you re interested in taking classes visit www.EasternPanhandleARC.org.

Mr. Stevens gave a report on the 167th Airlift Wing Air Show Exercise. L-3 Communications presented a 3 day event. The first day was L-3 Communications evaluated on our training techniques. The second day was a full blown exercise starting with a table top. The table top was air show related where an air craft blew up on the field and victims were identified. We went through the process of how we would facilitate getting the victims out to various hospitals. Hospital than strategized how they would deal with the patients and what their process would be. It was a very well done and thought out process. The third day was the disease containment plan. The scenario involved a pneumonic plague where victims on the base were identified and then it spread outside the fence. Because the disease can be passed from person to person the incubation period was from 2-7 days and death was in 18 hours if you have not had medical treatment. There was a briefing at the end on Thursday. Mr. Stevens offered copies of the slides to JCHSEM. There will be follow up training in August. 167th would like JCHSEM to come and observe.

Ms. Mehling announced June 1, 2010 marks the beginning of Hurricane Season. This year has been anticipated to be an active season. Ms. Miller reported there will be at least 18 active hurricanes with 5-8 to make landfall.

Ms. Mehling informed the committee there are new CERT Videos for training sessions. She encourages CERT members to come in for a refresher. Ms. Mehling announced the titles of the new videos. If anyone would like to view them they are on the WV Citizen Corps website under training.

Ms. Mehling announced an upcoming EOC Operations and Planning for All Hazards Training on August 9-11 at the Aikens Center in Martinsburg. Ms. Miller noted anyone who would like to be or will be in the EOC should attend the training. Please sign up on the DMPAS website due to a limit of 40 people.

Ms. Mehling reported the Jefferson County Fair will be August 22-28. Ms. Miller noted the LEPC will be paying volunteers tickets. Ms. Miller reviewed items that will be handed out at the fair. Ms. Davis volunteered for Aug 22nd.

Ms. Mehling reviewed the recommended EMI Course for June-IS-11- Animals in Disaster—Module B.

Member Sharing

Ms. Miller noted Jefferson County is a CRS (Community Rating System) Community of the National Flood Insurance Program. JCHSEM has to send letters to each person that lives in or near a flood plain. By meeting all requirements those who purchase flood insurance will receive a 5% discount and will possibly be going up to a 10% discount next year. Ms. Miller noted there will be a County Commission Meeting for the National Weather Service to rededicate Jefferson County as a StormReady Community. There are 18 requirements to keep the accreditation.

Mr. and Mrs. Cates announced they will be putting together Blizzard Boxes for senior citizens. Ms. Miller noted the Health Department would like to do a project similar to Blizzard Boxes. Ms. Miller asked if it were okay to give the Health Department their contact information. Ms. Cates approved. Ms. Cates suggested Ms. Maggio could include a presentation with Meals on Wheels. Ms. Maggio approved.

Mr. Stevens announced an upcoming exercise in August 7-8 (tentative). The Air Show will be September 4-5 with an expected attendance of 50,000-60,000 people. There will be a practice run Friday August 3rd at 2 p.m. if anyone would like to observe.

Ms. Miller announced the WV Legislature passed a bill for all day care centers to have a disaster plan. The staff as well as the parents will need to be involved. Every child especially those with disabilities will need an individual evacuation plan. Local Emergency Management and the local health department will have to review and approve in order for the day care center to renew/ receive license. Ms. Miller reported the National Transportation Agency is requiring all Transit Authorities in all States to do a SSEPP (Safety and Security Emergency Preparedness Plan). Along with that plan there are rules, definitions and regulations that differ between every state. Local responders as well as Emergency Management will be asked to sign MOU's. Ms. Miller will be working with the Transit Authority to make sure the rules and regulations are met. Once completed there is a 45 day legal review.

Ms. Maggio reported she is currently working on the new Jefferson County website. Ms. Maggio reviewed what will be available on the website.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:00 a.m. The next meeting of the Public Awareness/Education/Training Committee will be on July 14, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the Emergency Operations Center located at 28 Industrial Blvd., Kearneysville.