

Minutes of Sudbury LEPC Meeting Thursday September 19, 2006 at Goodnow Library

Chairman Maureen Valente called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and provided opening remarks and welcomed members and guests.

Richard Simon announced that Sudbury's LEPC was granted Start-Up status by MEMA in a letter to Chief MacLean.

Chief MacLean reported on the current efforts to form a Regional Emergency Planning Committee consisting of the five towns: Sudbury, Wayland, Weston, Concord and Lincoln.

Chief MacLean discussed the formation of CERT (Citizens Emergency Response Team). CERT expands on Fire Department services in an emergency and Ken asked for volunteers. Members added that volunteers can help when first responders are maxed out.

The topic of sheltering was discussed and Beth Whitlock of the Red Cross said that the Red Cross looks for and certifies shelters. Sheltering coordination was discussed. Maureen mentioned that in a heat wave emergency, the Fairbanks facility's generators are not capable of running the additional load of air conditioning. Chief MacLean mentioned, in answering a question on reciprocal relations, that Sudbury welcomes people from other towns and that we will assist. Lisa Jackson, in response to mutual sheltering aid, mentioned that this is part of the MRC mission. Once CERT is in place, then the Red Cross will conduct a sheltering course. Lisa also mentioned that the Sudbury MRC needs 100 members. Out of 600 invitations to the past MRC meeting only 30 people attended. An executive committee was formed.

Selectman Larry O'Brien suggesting using existing community groups newsletter outlets to make the public aware of emergency planning activities and information.

Richard Simon discussed the formation of Preparedness and Seniors sub-committees. Beth Whitlock volunteered for chairing the Preparedness committee. Kris Kiesel volunteered for chairing the Venerable Populations Committee. Lisa Gordon will be our liaison with the MRC.

Following the meeting Lisa Jackson of the Regional MRC met with LEPC members to discuss the quickening of efforts to form the Sudbury LEPC.

Next Meeting: In February 2007 -Date To Be Announced: Goodnow Library
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Attendees:

Maureen Valente/Sudbury Town Manager and Chairman Ken MacLean/Sudbury Fire Chief and Vice Chairman Larry O'Brien/Sudbury Selectman; Peter Fadgen/Sudbury Police Chief Bob Leupold/Sudbury/Health Director Richard Simon/Sudbury LEPC Coordinator Rita Skog/LSRH Transportation Coordinator Nancy Brumback/Sudbury League of Women Voters Kris Kiesel/Director Sudbury Council on Aging Thomas Caty/Raytheon;	Keith Strefanelli/Red Cross Mass Bay Beth Whitlock/Red Cross Liaison/Sudbury resident Lisa Jackson/MRC William Place/Sudbury Sudbury Director of Public Works Arthur Morin/Marlboro Hospital Barbara Bahlkow/Sudbury Council on Aging Nick Hambridge/Red Cross Chirs Delia/Red Cross Gaby Cohen/MRC
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