



Rhode Island Emergency Management Advisory Council

Meeting Notice

THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL WILL BE HELD:

June 7, 2011

10:00 AM

RI Department of Labor and Training

1511 Pontiac Avenue

Building 73, 1st Floor Conference Room, Pastore Complex
Cranston, Rhode Island

AGENDA

I. Call to Order/ Attendance—Lt. Governor Elizabeth Roberts

Hurricane Conference, total success
Awareness, so many complicated dynamics.
Worcester 1953
Response, Recovery,
Historic bldgs, exciting to see

Update:

Recognition flood recovery \$\$, asked by the Gov coordination across, EDC,DEM, Planning (CDBG) making sure it fits well with HMGP moneys. Recognize a lot of

Chief Church: making sure that subcommittee gets re-energized.

Lt: Norm East Coast Exercise, open up shelter and serve lunch to participants kick off Hurricane season Hope High School Press Conference.

II. Approval of the minutes from May 10, 2011

Minutes were approved.

III. RIEMA Update

Dir. Smith:

Hurricane Conference, hotwash positive comments,
Subject Matter Experts were discussing issues not relevant to RI

Vendors: outside displays, NG (Paul Stasiuk)
Hazmat Teams,

Size of the storm 51K feet,
Th 97 degree weather,
Mids of grant cycle, UASI funds 0 dollars this yr. Metro region benefited from the 4+ funds provided last year this year nada.

50% reduction on all grants, EMPG sustained
20 June deadline for the grants, Ricky Jones was tasked to go to the West coast to review grants

Tonight at the rise will be the Hazmat / Hazardous House Judiciary house 205, in the west coast there was a recent lawsuit, need to protect
2nd hearing on the House.

IV. Domestic Preparedness Subcommittee reports

A. Interoperability Communications Committee— *Director David Smith, RIEMA Chair*

Frequency matters, good news for RI,
Continue to work on individual projects, new tower overspec tower? In Middletown, behind the fire station in that complex, it will provide resiliency and redundancy.
D.C. submit performance index, RISCO, if we could submit a performance report will be provided to the Secretary Napolitano for extra funds.
Gina Caroulo, why it was required
Peter Giniit, scrubbed it, final product will be sent to D.C.
Will be impacted by the cuts.
Woonsocket P.D will be going over by the end of month,
Calling the communities, they're using the system, is a huge benefit to be interoperable.

B. Hospital Preparedness Working Group— *Alysia Mihalakos, DOH/Dawn Lewis, HARI*

Grant writing season, HSS, 2 submitted healthcare service grants, additional info that 10% cut.
Emergency system, RI Response, competitive
CDC for public health, 15 capabilities
Ask for a report from Alysia

Every week MMWR- Zombie release,
10 most significant achievements in the past century. Public Health made the list.
Top 10.

Visible cuts (Lt)

1. Red Cross Functional Team Model, provide functional assessment, struggle in the mgt because of lack of personnel.

Funding cut, missing person,
FTE cap only director and medical chief
Continue testing w/ collabo from Hazmat
Mass care, volunteer
How do you say we r not testing for Anthrax
MOU w/ MA for testing,
Bioterrorism agents (ahead)

C. Haz Mat/Decon Technical Working Group— *Steve Preston, Woonsocket FD*

Committee tonight

Shrinking teams, before the 16th the decision will be made. Dir. Smith-

A lot of chiefs have stepped forward, not only the federal grant economies of scale but the cost.

Regionalization of services. Perhaps a regional team,

Chief Gumbly, Chief Sullivan,

DEcon 12 teams w/in acute medical facilities. (Dawn) make from field to hospital to make more smooth.

D. Behavioral Health Disaster Response Network Working Group—*Susan Earley, BHDDH*
No Report.

Susan presented at the Hurricane Conference (Smith)

E. Volunteer/Citizens' Corps Council—*Vincent Marzullo*
Report Provided

F. Law Enforcement Working Group— *Lt. James Manni, RISP*
Smith: secured grants dollars (SUV's) WMD tactical teams, the community registers them.
He may be joining RIEMA as the designated person will be sent to Block Island

G. Port Security—*Erin Lambie, USCG*

Captain Popko,

Houston Conference, provided notes.

Coast Guard go thru drills,

1. Prepare port, what's in port what's at sea
2. Work w/ search and rescue units

Maritime transportation, post storm how do you get the port back.

Nedrix (Lori Adamo)

Grants: Open for application 1-3

Exxon Mobile team flying in from Tx

Full scale exercise:

Port Security assessment in July, look at port vulnerabilities, it helps w/ the grants

H. Special Populations Working Group—*Steven Florio CDHH/Jeffrey Stevens, DOH*
Sheltering and fast teams,

Registry: hired a public safety officer,

3 outreach events

1. EMS expo
2. RIEMA hurricane conference

Statewide Response system.

LEPC 1. Working w/ 911 to share response w/ 1st responders.

Languages, algo

Communications

5234-held for further study:

LTC subcommittee, included on the hospital capacity system as it relates to weather alerts.
Monday,

Steve Preston: LEPC hundreds of hrs, so we can populate those special needs will be key.
Continue to try to get
Partner w/ EMS service providers, enroll individuals
HARI-hospital discharge planners, so that is part of the packet.

Are the gaps (Lt)

Jeff: Office of Minority Health, making sure enough outreach has been placed.
Area that will be focused in the future.

RI Pops is changing-increased Libyan population.

Smith: building a generation of preparedness,

STEP program video: Florio- was there CC provided.

Will have to follow up:

I. Urban Search and Rescue—*Chief Robert Seltzer, Central Coventry FD*

Smith: MOU cycle for USAR, can his executive board review the membership list and evaluate needs,
submit the MOU w/ his signature.

Streamline the process, competence scrub

Robert Leach:

El libro grande.

Mandatory for all safety bldg inspectors to attend.

Good seminar,

Steve Preston helped, thanks

Tornado piece in,

Architects and Engineers is being vetted for national credentialing

Safe rooms:

Ask Robert

MA experience and create some type of lessons learned.

The weather channel did have it (Jeff)

Good opportunity to improve systems.

J. Transportation Security Working Group—*Brian Pires, ATAC/TSWG*

Ask Brian for report

K. Mass Casualty:

Trailers, pass 8 months inventory, compared to NIMS, same equipment, completed. Everything in state,

Main Plan: discussing needed changes / what works/doesn't how do we write that. w/in 2 weeks,
address health hospital and EMS component, and EMS w/in Health and take back to the main
committee, lots of technological changes, patient tracking, alert community partners.

The group is meeting. RI Diversion Plan, working with the emergency managers sweep?

MCI trailers in Cumberland and Scituate and
Charlestown took a trailer, looking at continue to find ways to streamline the process. (Dir Smith)
P.O. for the credentialing

V. New Business/ Member Comments and/or Suggestion

Leo Messier, 2 tabletops at airport

Airport emerg plan, fbi evidence response team, 40-50 folks full plane crash

3. 2nd table law enforcement investigation, 2nd scenario a bomb explosion fbi involved.

HEALTH, medical examiners officer, fbi would b looking for assistance from the local law enforcement

Terrorism Homeland Sec: cuts, successful active shooter training.

Mobile field enforce training. Large demonstration, assistance

Active Shooter talbe top at airport

October Active Shooter full scale, domestic situation.

RI Airport Police, 800 MHz however, dead spots on airport, limits law enforcement, Motorola is woking on it, we need it to be interoperable.

Performance index, will b willing to work w/ Director.

Bomb explosive unit:

City of Prov, own bomb squat, w/ budget cuts, diminished capacity , 1 bomb technician, fall

Jack Chartier: by statute they're required to maintain it.

New TAG,

August 9th Educational.

The Center General Complex has been deemed accessible to those with disabilities by the State Building Commissioner. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the deaf or hearing impaired or needing other accommodations, please call 401-222-2371 or RI Relay 711 and ask for Vladimir Ibarra or email at vibarra@ltgov.state.ri.us at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.