

## **JOINT EMERGENCY MEASURES ORGANIZATION**

### **PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

#### **MINUTES - JANUARY 27, 2011**

The meeting was called to order by the Emergency Measures Coordinator at 7:00pm in the meeting room at the Barrington Ground Search and Rescue Building with the following members present:

- Jim Newell, EMO Coordinator
- Dick Crowell, Alternate EMO Coordinator(8:10pm)
- Mike Swim, Municipality of Barrington
- Penny Duggan, Island & Barrington Passage Fire Department
- John Nickerson, Barrington Fire Department
- Dennis Smith, Shag Harbour/Bear Point Fire Department
- Constable Dave Toope, RCMP
- Mike Hopkins, Barrington Ground Search & Rescue
- Sue Hennigar, VON
- Jim Newell, Canadian Coast Guard
- Jason Goodwin, Canadian Red Cross
  
- Brian Crowell, Town of Clark's Harbour and Secretary for the meeting

Absent were:

- Brian Holland, Municipality of Barrington
- Sharon Brannen, Municipality of Barrington
- Cameron Whiteway, Municipality of Barrington
- Bryant Newell, Town of Clark's Harbour
- Gilles Demaire, Bayside Home
- Trudy Smith, Department of Community Services
- Phillip Stoddard, Roseway Hospital
- Bonnie Lloyd, Tri County Housing Authority
- Crystal Larkin, EHS
- Steve Stoddard, Tri County Regional School Board
- Gordon Ross, Wood's Harbour Fire Department
- Ian Hicks, Port Clyde Fire Department
- Blanchard Chetwynd, Port LaTour Fire Department

#### **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no Additions to the Agenda.

## **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by S. Hennigar and seconded by M. Hopkins that the Agenda be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by P. Duggan and seconded by D, Smith that the Minutes from the November 25, 2010 meeting be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **INTRODUCTION**

Jason Goodwin representing the Canadian Red Cross was introduced as the newest member of the Planning Committee. He provided the committee with the role of the Canadian Red Cross during a disaster event.

## **STEVE MILLS – EMO**

Steve Mills, Southern Zone Coordinator with EMO, gave a power point presentation of the November flooding in Shelburne and Yarmouth Counties. He stated one point that came out of the evacuation efforts that took place in Yarmouth County was that not enough information was given to the people on the reasons for the evacuation. No fire service, no EHS service, no medical service, etc. would be available in the flooded areas. Information was also provided on up coming EMO training courses.

## **JEPP APPLICATION**

The Committee was informed that the 2011/2012 JEPP applications has received Provincial approval and been forwarded for Federal approval.

## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

A letter was received from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure thanking all organizations that were actively involved in the November floods.

## **EMERGENCY PLAN UPDATES**

Some updated information for the Emergency Response Plan was provide and will be incorporated into the Plan.

### **PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER**

The vacant position of Public Information Officer was discussed by the Committee. No names were put forward to the Committee to fill this position. The Committee discussed options. This will be discussed further at the next Executive Committee meeting.

### **JOINT EMERGENCY EXERCISE**

Don Bower, EMO Coordinator for the Shelburne East Emergency Measures Organization, was present to discuss a joint emergency exercise in April. It was decided that the exercise would be conducted at the CSI causeway so that the Canadian Coast Guard could be involved with a chemical spill. Further planning on the exercise would be done over the next few weeks.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on February 24, 2011.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm by mutual consent of the members.