

Minutes

Joint Emergency Measures

Planning Committee

Wednesday, July 15, 2020 – 7 pm

Municipal Building Multipurpose Room

In Attendance: Chair: Dwayne Hunt, Dave Kendrick (alt), Joel Goreham (Bay Side Home), Dave Andrews (Mun Of Barr), Jim Newell (Fire), Shannon Newell (Fire), Johnny Nickerson (Fire), Paul Pittman (RCMP), Chris Frotten (Mun of Barr), Shawna Symmonds (Senior Services), Tim Birt (BAGSAR), Paul Hayes (BAGSAR).

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by chair, Dwayne Hunt.
2. **Agenda** – The chair called for any additions. It was moved by Dave Andrews and 2nd by Dave Kendrick that the agenda be accepted as presented – Motion carried
3. **Approval of Previous Minutes** – It was moved by Jim Newell and Seconded by Shannon Newell that the previous minutes be approved.
4. **Business Arising from the Minutes** – Dwayne notified the group that all training courses were on hold for the time being. He also advised that no plans were confirmed for a mock disaster.
5. **COVID-19** – Dwayne provided an overview of the municipal response to COVID-19 and its impact on fire and EMO services. The RCMP, Bay Side Home and Senior Services also provided a report on their response to COVID-19. Customer service closures and the burden of added health protocols and restrictions were common themes.
6. **Training** – Dwayne, Chris and Cam took TMR training. All training is on hold for the time being but Dwayne is working on a list of the training needed by members for once it starts again.

7. Water Shortage – Dwayne explained the EMO is currently in the information gathering and monitoring phase of the situation and they are requesting that any resident who is having issues to notify the municipal office. There are two water sources available at the moment: one on Sherose Island and the other at the Barrington/Port La Tour Fire Hall. Future assistance may include more water locations, water delivery and helping residents finding fish boxes. The impact of COVID-19 on other potential assistance was discussed. The provision of shower and washer and dryer services may not be possible under the current health protocols.

ACTION ITEM – Dwayne will create signage and put together COVID-19 “kits” for the locations providing water (including hand sanitizer, gloves, etc.).

ACTION ITEM – Dwayne will develop a list of businesses that are willing to provide fish boxes to residents.

8. Plan Update – A review and updating of the plan continues.

9. Other Business – It was discussed that hurricane season is fast approaching and the forecast is for 12-18 hurricanes. The impact of COVID-19 on the opening of comfort centers was also discussed.

ACTION ITEM – Dwayne will prepare COVID-19 “kits” for the comfort centers in the event they must open (including hand sanitizers, gloves, etc.)

10. Next meeting is September 17, 2020, 7 pm.

11. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.