

Minutes

Joint Emergency Measures

Planning Committee

Thursday April 21, 2022 – 7 pm

Municipal Building Multipurpose Room

In Attendance: Chair: Dwayne Hunt, Dave Kendrick (alt), Jim Newell (IBPFD), Shawna Symmonds (Senior Services), Shannon Newell (WHFD) Paul Hayes (BAGSAR), Dave Andrews (MoB), Sheree Smith (Red Cross), Anne Tingly (Red Cross), Andrew Mitton (EMPO).

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by chair, Dwayne Hunt.

- 1. Additions to the Agenda** – Shannon Newell asked for MCI to be added to the agenda
- 2. Approval of the Agenda** - It was moved by Dave Andrews and 2nd by Jim Newell that the agenda be accepted as presented – Motion carried
- 3. Approval of Previous Minutes** – It was moved by Shannon Newell and Seconded by Paul Hayes that the previous minutes be approved. – Motion Carried
- 4. Business Arising from the Minutes** – Not anything new to report on
- 5. COVID-19** – From this weeks report there were 7508 PCR confirmed cases, 84 hospitalizations and 13 deaths in the past week
- 6. REMO** – Barrington Municipal Council has discussed the possibility of a county REMO and forwarded correspondence to the other municipal units in the county for their input

7. **Training** – The ICS 200 that was scheduled for Lunenburg this week had been cancelled. There is one scheduled for Annapolis on May 25, 26 and Dwayne will forward the information to the members. The contact information for the new clerk for the Town of Clarks Harbour will be forwarded to Andrew Mitton for the alert ready training.
8. **Exercise** – Dwayne and Andrew will get together to try and arrange an exercise for the fall.
9. **MCI** – Shannon Newell raised a concern of lack of ambulance availability and highlighted a recent motor vehicle accident involving 4 patients in which the 2nd and 3rd ambulances took considerable time to arrive on scene and if the patients would have been critically injured the outcome would have been impacted. It was also noted that fire departments routinely wait excessive lengths of time for ambulances to arrive on Medical First Responder calls.

It was the consensus of the committee to forward this and other concerns with long response times of ambulances to council so they might express those concerns to the province.

10. **Other Business** – It was noted that Jennifer Jones is the new Clerk for the Town of Clarks Harbour. Sheree Smith provided a brief report on the Red Cross, Paul Hayes gave a brief report on BGSAR and Andrew Mitton gave a brief report on EMONS.
Drought response was discussed, and it was noted that the Municipality of Barrington is working on enhancing the water supply upgrade lending program because an on site solution is the best approach to dealing with water shortage issues.

11.Next Meeting – June 16, 7:00

12.Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned @ 7:43pm.