

Londonderry Community Resilience Organization
June 14, 2016 5:30 Londonderry Town Office

Meeting called to order 5:35

Attending: Dick Dale, Bruce Frauman, George Mora, Jennifer Probst, Kevin Beattie

Dick moved to approve agenda and minutes; seconded by George, all voted to approve.

Dick reported on his discussion with Kevin about getting the Selectboard more involved. Kevin not prepared to take leadership role at this time. Suggested it would 'take another Irene' to get residents interested in coming together.

Discussion (again) of divisions within the town, frustration over limited progress by Mighty Londonderry (ML).

[Discussion of Town's Emergency Plan as complete but not 100% ready for implementation – Emergency Shelter not yet set up, etc.](#) Kevin arrived late and reported on status of shelter – needs to get Red Cross certification. (Already had 15 – 18 residents complete training for operation of the shelter, but need more volunteers that aren't already emergency [LVRS, etc.] volunteers) Red Cross will supply all necessary items – beds, etc. Generator procurement under way, but disagreement over 4 towns matching funds. Kevin wants to move ahead regardless of funding agreement.

Dick allowed that Neighborhood Connections (NC), Rescue Squad, Fire Depts., churches, etc, all much better prepared for an Irene-like event. Kevin has concerns that there is very limited communication between the Town and these other entities. Dick mentioned the strength of Community Partners; Kevin feels he should attend their meetings as a rep of the town, Bruce to attend as Mighty Londonderry rep.

Bruce suggests ML work with other organizations bottom-up offering assistance.

Talked about the Londonderry Community Forum as a strong fallback / alternative to Core Data Form for organizing/disseminating information in an emergency.

Kevin brought up VT Alert; town needs to become a 'sender'. 'Reverse 911' would allow an alert to be sent to every landline in the town. Kevin to make initial contact and discuss with Selectboard; ML group can follow up with training.

School Crisis Plan: Jeff Duda contacted Kevin, Kevin will follow up with Neil MacIntyre. Plan needs to be available to fire depts., LVRS, etc. so all groups can coordinate.

Jennifer suggested we back-burner the survey, focus on assisting Kevin with shelter, VT Alert, increasing communication between silos. Kevin suggested putting Core Data into a spreadsheet.

Jennifer suggested news release to recognize 5-yr anniversary of Irene.

Long discussion of FEMA buyout, dam, etc. Kevin would like to know the expected effect of catastrophic failure of the dam & would like that information in the LEOP. Dick suggested that addressing the dam problem should be part of the new Town Plan.

Bruce gave a quick report on the Resilience Vermont conference.

Next meeting July 12, 5:30.

No additional business.

Meeting adjourned 6:45.

