

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE

August 7, 2012 – 5:00 pm – Council Chambers – Town Hall

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

AGENDA ADOPTION:

1. Monthly Emergency Management Report – Bryan Rush
2. Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company Report
3. Discussion on Motorized Scooter Safety Equipment. (Helmets)
4. Discussion on E911 Phone and Radio Communications Problems
5. Committee Member Comments

ADJOURN:

TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MONTHLY REPORT

**Submitted by Bryan Rush
August 3, 2012**

PLANNING

FIREWORKS TRANSPORTATION

Transportation for the annual fireworks celebration went very well. The Chincoteague Fireworks Transportation Safety Plan is being reviewed for improvements. The most prevalent change will be the addition of "No Parking" on Jester Street during the event.

WALLOPS FLIGHT FACILITY REGIONAL RESPONSE

The Chincoteague Annex of the STAR plan was tested at a table-top exercise on July 17th at the Chincoteague Community Center, beginning at 0830. The exercise was very well attended and vetted valuable information. The After Action Report will be compiled by the exercise committee. A corrective action matrix will then be formulated. These corrective actions will then be used to update the plan and its annexes.

EASTERN SHORE DISASTER PREPAREDNESS COALITION

The ESDPC had its quarterly meeting July 19, 2012. William Sammler from the National Weather Service in Wakefield gave a very informative briefing on hurricane statistics for the eastern shore, as well as some updated information on the SLOSH model (Storm surge prediction software).

ACCOMACK COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Accomack County Department of Public Safety has filled the position for the Deputy Coordinator of Emergency Management. Mr. Doug Jones, formerly with the Wicomico County, Md. Department of Emergency Management, began his position on July 1.

CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS PLANNING

Staff is currently developing a Continuity of Operations Plan for disaster recovery. The plan will enable staff to maintain and/or recover services after a disaster. The initial draft time line has been pushed back to October 1, 2012, due to a lack of time within the EMS/EM Department.

HURRICANE SEASON

Hurricane Season began June 1. The tropical Atlantic is now becoming more conducive for development of tropical systems. The EM staff will continue to monitor any developments and forward daily briefings as necessary.

TRAINING

Currently there are no scheduled training opportunities for staff.

LOGISTICS

PONY PENNING

The Emergency Medical Services solicited extra staffing and transport ambulances from Lower Somerset County Ambulance Service, Oak Hall Rescue, and Northampton County Department of EMS. The Greenbackville Volunteer Fire Department lent Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company ambulance 2-2 for the event. Town EMS employees staffed with the help of three Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company Members, staffed 2-2, 3-1, and 3-2 during the event. Thank you letters have been sent to all those agencies.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

PREPERATION

Emergency Management was contacted by a local hotel. The hotel owner was inquiring about tornado safety with the recent out-brake of funnel clouds/tornados on the shore. EM Coordinator Rush is going to meet with the individual to provide a site survey; help them plan for all hazards; as well as provide information for business continuity of operations planning.