



SPRINGVILLE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MEETING MINUTES

January 15, 2009

ATTENDANCE: Chairperson Karrie Beardall, Martin Palmer, Michael Preuss, Janille Stermer, Alan Anderson, John Bird, Fire Chief Whitney, Lt. Gordon, and Executive Secretary Kim Rayburn.

WELCOME/COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Minutes of the November 18, 2008 meeting were approved.

Karrie Beardall and Lt. Dell Gordon attended the annual Gathering of Eagles conference, sponsored by UEMA. The topic of this year's meeting was to have goals and a vision statement

DISCUSSION ITEMS

CERT Update: Karrie Beardall reported the first CERT class for 2009 started last week with about six attendees, this week they expect to have a few more. It was suggested that next year the class be moved back a week or two because Nebo School District sends out an education booklet at the first of the year with CERT information, if the class is held after these booklets are mailed; citizens will have the information before the classes start and it may increase attendance.

Goals for the upcoming year:

1. The city CERT website needs to be updated. Janille will contact John Gleave at the City offices to start the process of updating the website.
2. The current Emergency Preparedness booklets (yellow books) need to be updated and distributed to the community. It was suggested to use local Scout groups during their food drive to distribute the booklets, also having the City Utility office distribute them in their welcome bags to new residence. When the new city offices are completed there will be opportunities to distribute the booklets at open houses and citizen tours.
3. Emphasis will be made this year on training Ham radio operators to assist the Emergency Response and CERT groups while coordinating with the County group. At this year's Mock disaster plans are to include the Ham radio operators.

After discussion the committee agreed upon a vision and mission statement, as follows:

Vision Statement:

The Vision of Springville City Emergency Preparedness Committee is to promote a safer, less vulnerable community with the capacity to cope with hazards and disasters, to educate residents about, and prepare for, possible emergency conditions, and to be a support group for government-directed responses in the event of an emergency.

Mission Statement:

Springville City Emergency Preparedness Committee promotes community safety through education, training, and the coordination and management of volunteers in an all-hazards approach.

MEETING ADJOURNED

MEETING SCHEDULE

The next meeting will be scheduled for February 19, 2009 in the Public Safety Conference room.