Cornwall Emergency Management Network Meeting Notes—November 12, 2015

Attendance:

Bonnie Stevens EMN

Bill Johnson Town Health Officer

Ken Manchester CVFD

Stu Johnson EMN/Highway

Sue Johnson EMN/Town Clerk-Treas

Kate Gieges EMN/E911

5:00pm⁻⁻

• Kate covered some of the topics from the State Emergency Preparedness Conference:

The AC Local Emer Planning Committee covered both nights lodging so there was no request to the EMN for reimbursement.

E911 Viewer/Responder updates and new features

Pets at Emergency Shelters

Bird Flu information and other farm animal susceptibilities

- Sue distributed a notice from the Agency of Ag/Kristin Haas, St Vet regarding a voluntary register of poultry owners.
- Copies of the 2015 Local Emergency Operations Plan were distributed to those who didn't receive one in July; also copies of the EMN Contact List, and draft winter Call-out procedures.
- Kate explained the VTAlert System feature for towns: we can log in and use the system to send messages, either to VTAlert subscribers, or a "blast" similar to "Reverse 911."

The group concluded that more information is needed to make a decision.

- Kate said that the Cornwall Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved by the Feds. The five-year plan just needs the signature of the Selectboard. Sue will bring it to the 11/17 meeting because Kate is out of town.
- Tentative dates were selected for 2016 workshops, pending instructors' availability:

April 21 or 28—CPR or First Aid May 19—First Aid or CPR June 18 or 25—local Shelter walk-thru

- Kate said that the last Red Cross Shelter person she spoke with is gone from the position, but Kate left a message with the new coordinator.
- The next topic was reviewing the Local Support Functions (LSFs) which are local resource lists based on federally identified response areas. The sections were discussed, and assigned to members to update and correct.
- Tentative next meeting: Dec 12, modified to Dec 17 in email from Kate.

The EMN meeting adjourned at 6:20pm

Some members stayed to talk about the status of E911 Numbering. Out at 6:45pm.

Kate Gieges