

# Steele County CAER Minutes

Sept 18, 2013

7:00 PM

## Location:

Steele County EOC

## Call To Order:

Meeting was called to order by Tom Karnauskas.

## Attendees:

Tom Karnauskas, Mike Johnson, Iris Johnson, Dee Kirchner, Roger Wencil, Karen Fontaine, Mary Fink, Emily Heimerl

## Routine Approvals:

- Minutes of July 17, 2013 were approved.
- The Treasurer's Report was unchanged and had no expenses.

## Old Business:

1. **Training** – Disaster Assessment training for CERT is being planned for the spring.
2. **Chamber of Commerce Preparedness Conference** – No date for next year has been selected for the conference.
3. **Cots** –The regular cots are stored at the armory and can stay there. The special needs cots are stored at Souba Farms temporarily until the Red Cross provides a trailer.
4. **Safety Alley** – Volunteers pushed registration for Everbridge. There were 329 signed up at the fair. Mike said for everyone to keep asking people to signup.

## Member Reports:

- 1) **CAP** – The first annual 5K Fun Run at Sunset was a success on Saturday, Aug 24<sup>th</sup>. There were 45 registered participants and 17 day of registration. Participants enjoyed running the course on the runway. The French Toast breakfast was also a success with 850 people served. There were 25 aircraft and all parking areas were full. The B25 and other war-birds were a huge draw. Upcoming events include Hwy 218 Fall Adopt-a-Highway on Oct 5, MN Leadership Academy at Camp Ripley from Oct 16-20, and Annual Safety Day on Oct 15<sup>th</sup>. Emergency services did flight-line marshalling training in Aug and line search training in Sept.
- 2) **Salvation Army** – The Salvation Army has a new manager, Jennifer Hix. They look forward to new opportunities that will come with this. They held a back to school backpack event and a shop with a cop event (22 kids).

- 3) **Clothesline** – The Shoot for the Moon fund raiser was a success. Coming up in Oct is the Bean Bag Toss at \$10 per person.
- 4) **RACES** – Tom suggested hooking an antenna on the rehab trailer and setting up a radio in it at the next SCFF.
- 5) **SCPH/MRC** – They are in a new grant period and planning for behavioral health team programming. Psy 1<sup>st</sup> Aid training scheduled for Nov 7<sup>th</sup> and is open to CERT, MRC & ARC. Dee Ann Pettyjohn, SCPH Director retired. Contact Karen Fontaine if public health help is needed. Karen said people should get flu shots in Oct – Nov.
- 6) **Red Cross** –We received our new Ford Escape vehicle through a grant from Bremer Bank. Still no disaster related emergencies in Steele County.
- 7) **Emergency Manager** – Mike attended the Assoc of EM Conf at Breezy Point. There were speakers on a variety of topics including bullying, active shooter, skywarn, races. Mike is doing classes in Owatonna on suspicious packages. Mike held a disaster drill at the airport with 1<sup>st</sup> responders. There will be an active shooter drill when it is ready, no schedule yet. Mike went through ESF 4 Firefighting with the group.

**Adjournment:**

- Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.
- Next meeting is Oct 16th at 7 pm at the firehall.