

**TOWN OF SOMERS
CIVIL PREPAREDNESS ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Friday, June 4, 2010
7:30 a.m.
Somers Fire House**

1. Call to Order – Emergency Management Director Joseph Tolisano called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m.
2. Members Present – A. Hoza; M. Suffredini; D. Thayer; and J. Tolisano. Also present: P. DeBrino; F. Falcone; M. Mitchell (recording); L. Pellegrini & T. Rolland.
3. Emergency Response Plan Briefing
 - First Selectman briefing re: possibility of joining health district. First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini discussed the possibility and reasoning behind joining a health district. Brief discussion concluded that the Council felt that NCDHD left Somers very vulnerable during the H1N1 flu scare last fall. Consensus is that the fit may be better with Eastern Highlands Health District when they have the capacity to accept Somers as a member. In the meantime, raise in-town sanitarian fees and apply to some public health programs developed in conjunction with Johnson Memorial Hospital.
 - R-911 issues – status. Per Dep. Chief Falcone, remote access to R-911 system is no longer available since new VPN was installed. Mr. Tolisano advised Dep. Chief Falcone to get vendor input as to how this can be corrected.
 - CERT update – Per P. DeBrino, 3 new cert members graduated from training last month. He will have access to another \$2,000 grant in August and will do another member outreach at that time.
 - Tabletop Exercise plan – Group discussed possibility of doing a shelter management drill for the next tabletop exercise, including an open house, education seminar about sheltering in place, presentation on home preparedness, etc. One idea is to do a mailer with emergency shelter info on a refrigerator magnet.
5. Approve 3/5/2010 Meeting Minutes
Approve 5/7/2010 Meeting Minutes
Minutes approval tabled until next meeting
6. Adjournment – motion (Mr. Thayer), seconded (Dr. Suffredini) and unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia L. Mitchell
Recording

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