

**TOWN OF SOMERS
CIVIL PREPAREDNESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
Friday, February 4, 2011
7:30 a.m.
Somers Firehouse**

First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini called the meeting to order at 7:42 AM

Members present were Lisa Pellegrini, Jim Morrow, Paula LaFrance, Todd Rolland, Frank Falcone, Pete DeBrino, Doug Minich, Bill Boutwell, Maynard Suffredini, Jim MacFeat. Joe Tolisano arrived after 8am.

Frank Falcone spoke about the need to upgrade Reverse 9-1-1 and the cost involved which are \$3,600. This price is an annual cost and requires a base map in order to be effective and the Town does not have one that is GIS capable. The committee agreed that the Town needs to appoint a lead person for this project and to develop an action plan, and it should be Jeff Bord as Town Engineer. Jeff will be asked to look into how to develop a base map for the Town, determine what CRCOG has and if it will work with Reverse 9-1-1. The Committee suggested an action plan that includes mapping roads, fire hydrants, catch basins, road centers and edges and other items as they occur. Google and Bing mapping as well as other off the shelf programs will be considered for applicability

Antennas on the Towns emergency shelters was discussed and due to the cost (\$2,200.00 for the high school alone), Dan Thayer pointed out that we could operate well without the antennas. The item will be revisited in April 2011 to determine if we have the funds to do the project.

Smartphones and cell phones serviced by Verizon have been verified and ordered through the Board of Education and will be arriving shortly.

ID cards have been scheduled to be made locally in cooperation with the Town of Stafford on Februray 24th and 25th.

Mrs. Pellegrini reported on the status of town buildings regarding snow on the roofs and said we are keeping up with conditions. She also highly commended the efforts of the DPW for their willingness to do outstanding work in this trying environment. She requested that all departments keep a running account of winter related costs, in order to present cogent facts to the Board of finance if need be.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 AM