

**Town of Somers  
Emergency Preparedness Advisory Council  
Thursday, July 2, 2015  
8:00 AM  
Fire House**

**Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Kradas at 0805 hours.

Members present: Mr. Peter DeBrino, EMD Tim Kradas, Lt. Jose Claudio, PWD Todd Rolland, CERT Leader Mrs. Karen Hocking, and Dan Thayer

Members absent: Supt. Maynard Suffredini, Fire Chief Gary Schiessl, TFC. Mike Hevey, and Mr. Joseph Tolisano

Also present: First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini, Deputy EMD Jeff Bord, Mr. William Boutwell, Dep. Fire Chief Frank Falcone, Ms. Paula LaFrance, Mr. Jim MacFeat and Ms. Kim Littig.

**Old Business**

**Approval of Minutes**

A draft of the June 4, 2015 minutes was distributed prior to the meeting. The reading of the minutes was waived by voice vote. A motion to accept the minutes as drafted was made and seconded. There was no discussion. The minutes were passed by a voice vote.

**Somers CERT Update**

CERT Team Leader Karen Hocking reported that the CERT picnic went well and that the Vernon fireworks were re-scheduled which made it prohibitive for our members to attend. CERT will be taking a recess from meetings for the summer.

**New Business**

**LPFM Station**

EMD Tim Kradas advised that with the funding in place parts are currently being ordered, with some already delivered. The high school is going through a new roof replacement where the new antenna and mount for the radio station will be placed.

## **Soapstone License Agreement**

Deputy Fire Chief Frank Falcone reported that the Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection drafted a new agreement for the fire departments communication systems located at the state telecommunications facility at soapstone. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by the committee for Mr. Falcone to move forward with having the contract reviewed for the towns pending approval.

## **EPPI Exercise**

EMD Tim Kradas reported that the state sent out a notice for the next statewide preparedness exercise which will take place October 21, 2015. More information is to follow.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn, which was passed by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 0840 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Timothy J. Kradas  
Chairman

**Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.**