

GREATER SUDBURY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY PANEL MEETING MINUTES

Friday, December 5, 2014 • 9:00am
Emergency Operations Centre • Lionel E. Lalonde Centre

Present:

Amyotte, Jennifer – CGS Emergency Services
Bolestridge, Chris – St John's Ambulance
Charette, Nicole – Rainbow District School Board
Cote-Veilleux, Lyne – CGS Community Development
Fortin, Lynn – CGS Emergency Management
Gaskin, Melissa – CGS Infrastructure Dept./Financial and Support Service
Jorgensen, Carl – Conservation Sudbury
King, Tom – Greater Sudbury Utilities
Lalonde, Derek – Canadian Blood Services
Lawlor, Brian – Union Gas
Maloney, Tim – Vale
McGaw, Latoya – CGS Emergency Management
Mohammed, Areeda – Canadian Red Cross
Naik, Anoop – Conservation Sudbury
Regaudie, Wayne – ARES Sudbury
Roney, Melissa – CGS Emergency Services
Salem, Carolyn – Health Sciences North
Saumur, Dan – Greater Sudbury Housing Corporation
Schell, Lisa – Sudbury District & Health Units
Siemer, Michael – Glencore – Sudbury INO
St. Marseille, Nicole – Laurentian University
Stothers, John – Office of the Fire Marshall and Emergency Management
Viitala, Alan – ARES Sudbury

Safety Share:

Tim Maloney reminded the group of the dangers of carbon monoxide especially during winter months when a lot more heat is used. We were reminded that furnace filters should be monitored and changed on a regular basis. Tim also reminded the group of the dangers of operating fuel burning appliances such as wood stoves and barbeques indoor during power outages and encouraged us to always follow manufacture's instruction.

1. Previous meeting minutes corrections, approval – Tim Maloney

September 5, 2014 approved.

2. Introduction of new panel members – Tim Maloney

Tim welcomed new member Carl Jorgensen from Nickel District Conservation Sudbury. Carl is the new Manager of Nickel District Conservation Authority replacing Paul Sajatovic, who is now retired.

Education Component – Ebola, Jennifer Amyotte, Commander of Community Health & Professional Standards, CGS.

Jennifer provided an overview of the Ebola Virus and its progression with the hopes of alleviating public fear. The overview included the chain of transmission, how to protect one's self from contracting the virus, preventative measures in place for health care workers, how areas are declared Ebola free, travel advisories as well as protocols in place for notifying Health Units of potential Ebola patients before they are brought into the community.

3. OFMEM Update – John Stothers, Field Officer

- 1) Changes to Ontario Fire Code- there are changes to the fire code mandating carbon monoxide detectors in all homes. We were informed that a carbon monoxide detector should be placed outside every sleeping area and one in the area where fuel burning appliance are operated.
- 2) Vulnerable Occupancy Legislation - John provided us with a review of the legislative and operational changes, as well as the occupancies affected by the legislation. John outlined that all nursing homes have to be retrofitted with sprinklers as well as meet annual compliance via Fire Services.

3) Training

Basic Emergency Management Instructor course – dates will be made available soon.

Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) course- 2015 dates will be made available shortly.

4. Sub-Committee Reports

Lisa Schell, Manager of Clinical Services at Sudbury District & Health Unit informed the group that currently there are no reported cases of influenza in the community. There are reported cases of influenza in pockets of Southern Ontario. The group was reminded to get their flu shot as this is the best defense against getting influenza and this can be done at pharmacies and health care facilities.

a) Pandemic Planning Update –SDHU

Lisa also informed the group that the Pandemic Clinical Care Committee met recently and has continued to review and tweak the Interagency Pandemic Influenza plan. We were given a brief overview of the committee's composition as well as what a pandemic response would entail. The group was informed that the committee is looking at

developing a plan that goes beyond pandemic influenza; a plan that can be used for any communicable and infectious diseases.

5. Emergency Management Activity Report – Lynn Fortin

Lynn Fortin updated the panel on Emergency Management's activities over the past quarter including projects that are underway (Spills Response Plan with W/WW, CSA Z1600, CGS Fuel Management Plan for emergencies and Community Evacuation Plan).

Emergency Management Activities:

- Radio Project- new P25 system
- Joint Emergency Service Operational Advisory Group (JESOAG)
- GSERV- Planning for training session for volunteers
- Emergency Social Services Plan
- Emergency Citizen Centre Inquiry Plan
- Vale Tailings Dam Emergency Management Plan
- Send Word Now, training and development
- CCG annual exercise planning
- EOC Support Staff training (2 sessions)
- Region of York Exercise Collaborative Recovery
- Pandemic Clinical Care Committee
- IMS 200
- EM orientation with Mayor Elect Brian Bigger
- Prepared orientation packages for new council
- Posting for Manager of Emergency Management and Professional Standards
- OFMEM Killarney Sector Meeting

Public Education

- Boys Scout tour of EOC & MCU
- Minnow Lake Lions Club presentation
- Coniston CAN
- Media interviews-GSERV

Courses

BEM: March 26 & 27, 2015
October 29 & 28, 2015

CANWARN: May 23, 2015

Agencies interested in registering their staff for BEM & CANWARN are asked to contact Lynn Fortin.

6. New Business

- 2015 dates for GSEMAP meetings are as follow:
April 10, September 4, December 4
Appointments will be sent out to all members.

Next Meeting: April 10, 2015 Emergency Operations Centre, Azilda

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