

GREATER SUDBURY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY PANEL MEETING MINUTES

Friday, September 11, 2015 • 9:00am
Emergency Operations Centre • Lionel E. Lalonde Centre

Present:

Ahmed, Shelley – CGS Corporate Communications
Amyotte, Jennifer – CGS Paramedic Services
Bain, Trevor – CGS Emergency Services
Charette, Nicole – Rainbow District School Board
Cote-Veilleux, Lyne – CGS Emergency Social Services
DeSilva, Tony – CGS Roads
De Teresi, Veronica Naaman- Canadian Red Cross
DeRocchis, Ashley – Sudbury District & Health Unit
Fortin, Lynn
Foucault, Monique – CACC
Gibson, Paula – Glencore
Hawkins, Burgess – Sudbury District & Health Unit
Ingriselli, Ray – St Joseph's Health Centre
Jorgensen, Carl – Conservation Sudbury
Lalonde, Derek – Canadian Blood Services
Lefebvre, Nikki – Vale
Lapping, Tracy – OSPCA
Lawlor, Brian – Union Gas
Legault, Claude – CGS Administrative Services
Maloney, Tim – Vale
McGaw, Latoya – CGS Emergency Management
Mohammed, Areeda – Red Cross
Patterson, A – OSPCA
Rancourt, Maurice-Eric – College Boreal
Regaudie, Wayne – ARES Sudbury
Robinson, Alison – Health Sciences North
Roney, Melissa – CGS Emergency Management
Salem, Carolyn – Health Sciences North
Saumur, Dan – Greater Sudbury Housing Corporation
Schell, Lisa – Sudbury District & Health Unit
St Marseille, Nicole – Laurentian University
Stothers, John – Office of the Fire Marshal & Emergency Management
Walz, Robert – CGS Risk Management
Waugh, Rick – Greater Sudbury Police Services

Safety Share:

Tim Maloney reminded the group of the significance of September 11, 2001 as it relates to emergency management. Since the tragic events, there have been significant improvements in the field of disaster/emergency management. There have been changes in industries and municipalities in terms of being better prepared for the various emergencies. Tim challenged the group by asking how prepared are we as individuals for

the little things that may occur. With climate change we are experiencing more intense and severe weather systems but how prepared are we on a personal level? Tim urged the group that more work should be done in preparing our community for the various emergencies that may occur.

1. Previous meeting minutes corrections, approval – Tim Maloney

April 10, 2015 approved.

2. Introduction of new panel members – Tim Maloney

Tim welcomed new member Nicole Lefebvre from Vale.

Returning member, Tracy Lapping from Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was also welcomed.

Education Component – Community Paramedicine Jennifer Amyotte, Commander of Community Health & Professional Standard, CGS

Jennifer provided an overview of the Community Paramedicine program as well as some of the successes the program as attained thus far.

Paramedic Services in partnership with Health Sciences North and the North East Community Care Access Centre launched a new program that aims to provide additional health care for residents discharged from hospital. Two ten month pilot programs in the areas of Transitions Care and Health Promotion, funded in part by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care (MOHLTC), have been launched in Greater Sudbury to help seniors and vulnerable populations live independent for longer and to help prevent hospital readmissions and emergency department visits.

The **Transition Care Program** in partnership with Health Sciences North and the North East Community Care Access Centre will see Paramedics providing follow up care and monitoring for select patients in their own homes after being discharged from hospital with a chronic condition such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, congestive heart failure, diabetes and dementia.

The Health Promotion Community Paramedic Program aims to reduce the demand for paramedics and health costs through focusing on education surrounding injury prevention and early recognition of illness. The program will assist older adults and vulnerable population, including the homeless, by providing wellness checks at seniors' housing as well as soup kitchens and emergency shelters.

Education Component – Hazardous Material Release

**Tim Maloney, Superintendent Emergency Management, Vale
Nicole Lefebvre, Emergency Management Coordinator, Vale**

Tim provided an overview of the hazardous material release incident that occurred at Vale's Acid plant in Copper Cliff on August 13, 2015. Vale is still conducting investigations as to what caused the excess release of the nitrogen oxide and nitrogen dioxide gas, NO_x

during a scheduled routine maintenance period. The City and Vale created a joint emergency response plan in 2010 to mitigate the impact such an incident may have on the community. During the incident, the plan was activated and numerous strengths as well as opportunities were identified and will be addressed in the After Action Report.

3. OFMEM Update – John Stothers, Field Officer

John informed the group of the new model for program delivery at Emergency Management Ontario. This includes changes such as a new sector model that has been implemented due to the merger of Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management Ontario (OFMEM). OFMEM is looking at setting up a 1-800 number to support CEMCs.

John also informed the group that a new position for a Field Officer for Killarney sector has been posted. He reiterated the need for having working smoke alarms outside all sleeping quarters and the need for personal preparedness.

4. Sub-Committee Reports

a) Pandemic Planning Update –SDHU

Lisa Schell informed the group that there are no new directives from the Province to review the Pandemic Response Plan. The group was also reminded that the flu season is fast approaching and everyone should get vaccinated. This flu season is the third year pharmacies will be providing vaccines and can be administered to children 5yrs and older. A full list of flu clinics will be made available mid-October.

5. Emergency Management Activity Report – Melissa Roney

Melissa updated the panel on Emergency Management's activities over the past quarter.

Emergency Management Activities:

- WebEOC Programming and Training for EOC Support Staff, SDHU Staff
- GSERV- Planning for training session - June 6th and Nov 21st
- Emergency Social Services Plan
- Emergency Citizen Centre Inquiry Plan
- Vale Tailings Dam Emergency Management Plan
- Community Evacuation Plan
- Hot Weather Response Plan
- Send Word Now process development
- CCG annual exercise planning
- Business Continuity Program
- EMPCA Compliance
- North Shore Search and Rescue
- Inter agency exercise
- Evacuation Site Surveys
- EP Week 2015

- EOC Restructuring
- Tabletop Exercise with Water/Wastewater team
- Annual General Meeting of Ontario Associations of Emergency Managers
- World Conference on Disaster and Emergency Management
- Killarney Sector Meeting
- BEM TTT (Basic Emergency Management Instructor Course)
- Note Taking Course

Public Education

- Ward 8 Community Action Network (C.A.N)
- Capreol Community Action Network
- Sears Canada – Health and Safety Week
- Donovan Days
- Paramedic Golf Tournament
- FANS BBQ
- Paramedic Services Spring Training
- Greater Sudbury Watershed Alliance- Living with Lakes
- Miracle Treat
- Spudbury Potato Festival
- Mike Smal Golf Tournament
- Emergency Services Workers Appreciation Day BBQ

Courses

BEM: November 19 & 20, 2015

CANWARN: May 23, 2015

Agencies interested in registering their staff for BEM & CANWARN are asked to contact Melissa Roney.

Next Meeting: December 04, 2015 Emergency Operations Centre, Azilda