

**Rappahannock EMS Council
Disaster Committee Minutes
October 7, 2008**

Call to Order: Dr. Joe Saitta called the meeting to order at 1330 at the Rappahannock EMS Council Regional Training Center.

Welcome and Introductions:

Members Present: Glen Rudner (VDEM), Bruce Sterling (VDEM), Eric Lasky (Spotsylvania F/R), Doug Boggs (Spotsylvania F/R), Wendy Shepherd (King George F/R), Ed Fuzy (Caroline F/R), and Joe Saitta (VDH)

Others Present: None.

Members Absent/Excused: Mark Bledsoe (Fredericksburg F/R), Wayne Green (Culpeper F/R) Ray Harvey (MCB Quantico F/R), Gerald Jaskulski (Stafford), and Paula Shaver (Red Cross), Tina Skinner (REMS Staff).

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Bruce Sterling, seconded by Glen Rudner and carried to accept the minutes of **September 9, 2008** as presented.

REMISC Executive Director Report:

No report.

Reports:

Counties and the City:

Caroline County

- County and VDH offering a free flu shot clinic on October 24, 2008.
- Budget issues.

King George County

- No report.

Spotsylvania

- Had lock-down at two schools last week. Initially, thought the incident was terrorism, but turned out to be a “false alarm.”
- Budget issues.
- During September’s emergency preparedness month activities local volunteers were on the public access channel.
- Volunteer Fire/Rescue agencies in the County will be involved in a MCI functional exercise on **October 19th**.

Stafford County

- New CERT class is scheduled for October 19, 21, 25, 28th and November 2nd
- Due to budget cuts the planned purchase of a medical care support unit through Mary Washington Hospital Foundation funding for the region is on hold

City of Fredericksburg

- No report.

Hospitals:

Mary Washington Hospital

- No report.

Spotsylvania Medical Center

- No report.

Virginia Department of Emergency Management:

- Region 2 Tabletop exercise on **October 8**, for School officials and EM personnel.
- National Weather Service in Sterling has an open house scheduled for October 18-19.
- The State sent an Incident Management Team to Louisiana, September 20th - October 4th. The Team included Captain Bledsoe, Chief Fuzy, David King, and Virgil Gray.
- Annual Haz Mat Conference scheduled for October 13-17 in Hampton Roads.
- Budget issues.
- There has been an increase in illegal haz mat dumping at VDOT facilities.

Virginia Department of Health:

- Budget issues.
- New epidemiologist hired: **Lan Nguyen, MS.**
- Working with Caroline County on free flu shot clinic, October 24th.

Other Agencies/Organizations:

MCB Quantico

- No report.

American Red Cross

- No report.

Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

- No report.

disability Resource Center

- No report.

Others Present

- N/A

2010 BSA Jamboree Process Action Team:

- The PAT will meet today and continue to review the after action reports of the 2005 Jamboree.

Unfinished Business:

The OEMS input on the MCI plan continues to be reviewed. Dr. Saitta will forward his suggestions to Chief Fuzy. In turn, Chief Fuzy will forward his comments to Ms. Skinner.

New Business:

Ms. Shepherd has accepted a position as a U.S. Navy contractor. She requests that her REMSC position be filled by Al White. King George County will shortly be requesting his official appointment.

A motion was made by Chief Boggs and seconded by Mr. Rudner to have the REMSC provide a token of appreciation to Ms. Shepherd for her excellent service to this Committee and to the Council. The motion carried unanimously.

There may be a potential scheduling conflict for the **November 4th** meeting as there is a HSEEP and Coordinators' meeting in Hampton on November 5th. The 4th would be a travel day. Dr. Saitta agreed to check with Ms. Skinner to determine whether to change the current meeting date or not.

Board Action Items: None

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 4, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. – Rappahannock EMS Council Training Center

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1355 hours.