

EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE

AGENDA

11/18/05

UPDATES

Approval of minutes from October Meeting
GPS - Demonstration
RFP – Consulting Services
County Fire Marshall position

COMMUNICATIONS

RFP - Towers
Communications Project – Phase 1
Agency approval of shortfall funds
Communications equipment team - Agency rep contacts, Service/Maint, Dist/SOP's/Training
Dispatching Tones for Pagers/Radios
“Rip and Run” sheets

TRAINING

Jimmy Burch, OEMS - open discussion regarding First Responder & ALS licensing issues
EMT B – Class start date 10/18/05
NIMS/ICS training & status
BLS CE – 12/8 CVVRS, 01/26 CVRS
BLS CE - 3rd Wed 7 pm at CVVRS
Additional upcoming training scheduled and/or suggestions for classes.

EQUIPMENT/PROCUREMENT

CVVRS – Ambulance tentative delivery date 01/05
Procurement Vendor – incorporate a vendor showroom, any interest?

GRANTS/FUNDING

CEDAP recommendations
RSAF March 2006
– recommend submitting to replace 3 stretchers & 5 Defibrillators
– recommend submitting under ‘special projects’ for the communications center
AWARDS – request for 3 month extensions still pending
SUBMISSION –
9 Autopulse- 6 vs. 9, Dec OEMS Financial Review Committee to defend for award
Budget request forms – recommend standardization of forms submitted to the county

PUBLIC RELATION/RECRUITING/RETENTION

ESC Website - www.cumberlandesc.org for training, fundraisers, rosters, calendars, etc. Member only access
Emergency Services Camp for kids – any interest?

AGENCY REPORTS

Activity Reports
PEVFD Activity reports
County Treasurer needs rosters for those eligible for County stickers
CVRS – New OMD introductions

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY
EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE
MINUTES – 11/18/05**

ATTENDANCE:

AGENCY	REPRESENTATIVE	
Cartersville VFD	Larry Kelly	
Cartersville VRS	Kelly Hale MaryAnn Hale	Jean Dunivan
Cumberland County Board of Supervisors Director of Information Technology Local Emergency Planning Commission Grant Writer/Administrator Sheriff's Office/Dispatch	Bill Osl Aaron Hickman Not Represented Not Represented James Turney	
Cumberland VFD	Kevin Ingle	
Cumberland VRS	Rose Payne	
Randolph VFD	Bill Bailey	Dan Pempel
Old Dominion Emergency Services	Not Represented	
Virginia Department of Emergency Management	Brian Iverson	

The minutes from the October 20, 2005 meeting were distributed. Kelly moved to accept the minutes as presented and motion was second made by Jean and pass unanimously.

Brian Iverson from the VDEM was present at the meeting. He has attended meetings of the Local Emergency Planning Committee and has provided information and resources for establishing our plan of action in the event of a natural or man-made disaster. He informed us that the Virginia State Police has formed a special unit to assist with hazardous materials incidents. He commented on how impressed he was with the effort and spirit demonstrated in the LEPC and how they are proactive in organizing local providers. He mentioned that most emergency services agencies are prepared but a major incident requires the assistance of other agencies. These agencies need training and guidance on the rules and regulations to be followed during an incident.

MaryAnn Hale demonstrated the Street Pilot 2620 GPS unit. This unit is mountable, has voice capability, instant start-up, remote control and uses satellite signals. The longitude & latitude capabilities will assist with establishing landing zones. All drivers will need to be trained. This will also be beneficial when responding to mutual aid calls outside of the county. Aaron reported that he had made comparisons and although the system the deputies have in their vehicles is the ultimate, this is a good compromise. When asked when emergency services would receive the laptop system, it was reported that it is included in the five year plan. Bill reported that funding for the GPS would come from the county. **A motion was made by Kelly to purchase one GPS unit per agency which was seconded by Jean and passed unanimously by the committee.** MayAnn and Aaron will work together on contacting Garmin to obtain the best pricing.

Aaron brought up the possibility of using “Rip & Run” sheets. Call information will be sent to a network printer located at each building. Aaron said that CVRS and CVF already have the connection. Will the county be willing to pay \$35 per month for each CVVRS, RVF and CVVF? All members are in favor of this but the issue will be tables until answers about equipment and funding are obtained.

COMMUNICATIONS

Aaron informed the group that the RFP for Consulting has been completed; however, over half of it has been completed by the county and the committee. The main items remaining is writing protocols and training manuals. Brian Iverson offered that there are numerous public documents available to help write these items. The update on the Tower RFP was given by Aaron. Verizon is placing a tower in the Northern part of the county which emergency services has rights to utilize. We will continue utilizing the Blue Ridge tower in the central part of the county. The main concern is the Southern part of the county for which we will be moving forward on obtaining a tower. We may be able to place our request with Buckingham County.

Aaron gave a time line for Phase 1 of the Communication Project. It was re-confirmed that the agencies will be able to cover the \$300-400 per vehicle shortfall. The Subcommittee for Communications Equipment Maintenance & Distribution needs to be established utilizing three members from each agency. This subcommittee will be responsible for writing protocols, training manuals and coordinate equipment distribution and maintenance. Please submit the name and contact information to Rose. The location of the equipment is yet to be determined. It will need to be somewhere with basically 24/7 access by appointed members. With the new equipment distribution the way rescue calls are toned will be changed. There will be a tone for the duty crew and a tone for all calls. This will simplify the process for dispatch and also allow easier equipment exchange.

TRAINING

One remaining NIMS Training scheduled 11/22 at CVVRS
Starting in January, 2006 Kerry Flippen would like to hold recert classes at CVVRS

EQUIPMENT - Discussions on equipment will be postponed until next meeting due to time.

GRANTS/FUNDING

In an attempt to simplify the budget process for the county, they are requesting a uniform submission process for all agencies. Please bring the form you currently use to the next meeting so we can develop one suitable for all agencies. Budgets are due January 10, 2006.

PUBLIC RELATIONS/RECRUITING

The County Fire Marshall search has led to some additional questions. Jerry is in the process of obtaining a training schedule for the 1033 Fire Marshall Training. Brian gave the contact for training as Russ Chandler with the Virginia Fire Marshall Academy at 804-371-3442. Kevin suggested that one member from each fire department be trained to form a consortium to provide multiple people to help at large incidents, to have a second opinion on questionable situations and to provide more availability with less strain. This suggested was agreeable to all committee members.

It was suggested that an article be placed in the local papers requesting information from county residents concerning special needs (i.e., locked gates, handicaps, visual or hearing impaired).

You can log onto the ESC Web Page at www.cumberlandesc.org to find out about training, fundraisers, rosters, calendars, etc. Access will be for members only.

UPCOMING EVENTS

12/6 7:00 PM Board of Supervisors Meeting Kevin will give committee report

REMINDERS

The County Treasurer needs rosters for those eligible for County Stickers by the end of December.

The next meeting will be held 7:00 PM on December 15, 2005 at the Cumberland Volunteer Fire Department. Dinner at 6:00 will be provided by the County.