

Upper Uwchlan Township Emergency Management Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 28, 2018
6:30 PM
Approved

I Call to Order

Scott Nicely called the Emergency Management Planning Commission (EMPC) meeting to order at 6:35 PM. The following members were in attendance: Scott Nicely, Julie Hearn-Nicely, Byron Nickerson, Bernie Carroll, Tom Kelly, Richard Ruth, Jamie Goncharoff and Cathy Tomlinson.

Also in attendance: Kathi McGrath, Tony P, Shawn & Henry Allwein (Residents)

II Approval of Previous Minutes

John DeMarco made a motion for the Meeting Draft Minutes to be approved, Richard Ruth seconded the motion. Motion Passed unanimously.

III Fire Services Committee Report

Richard reported the Lionville Fire Company is currently training in water rescue. They had a live burn at the Coatesville Training Center. Jamie Goncharoff asked Richard if he felt the Township adequately publicized recruitment for volunteers for the fire companies on the Township website. John DeMarco stated the Township should share a link to Fightfire.com. Kathi will ask Shanna Lodge to share that link on the Township website. Cathy Tomlinson stated kids do not feel connected and wanted to know what can be done to connect them with learning emergency services. Tony P said Octorara School has a Vo-Tech program that starts at 10th grade through 12th Grade. 10th grade reviews Fire training, 11th grade reviews EMS training and 12th grade reviews Police Training. John stated the school districts must adopt an ordinance for this to happen and Downingtown School District does not all this type of training in their schools.

IV Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Report

Cathy Tomlinson reported from John Applegate Uwchlan Ambulance has had 1500 calls per year. They are currently running CPR and AED training for residents free of charge.

V County Report

County Report was distributed to the commission. Tony P stated 22,458 telephone calls came in to Emergency Services in May which is 724 calls per day. There were 1,009 Fire incidents calls, 3,639 EMS incidents calls and 31,315 were Police incidents calls. Tony P. provided Commission members with copies of Chester County's 2017 Damage Assessment Manual for a future Damage Assessment table top (training) exercise.

VI Training Officer Report

Byron passed out the resolution for the EMPC for the members to review.

VII Chairman/Coordinator Report

A. Scott thanked the Commission for his tenure with the Commission and also as the EMC.

VIII Old Business

Block Party – Kathi McGrath reported it was another successful event. She thanked all members that assisted with the EMPC table at the event.

IX New Business

Jamie announced Byron Nickerson has showed interest in the EMC role to replace Scott Nicely. Scott confirmed he will be staying as EMC for the EMPC through the end of August, 2018. Jamie asked Kathi to stay on top of Byron's paperwork as the process may be slowed by the State.

X Round Table

Richard wished Scott well and good luck to Byron. Cathy thanked the commission for keeping her on the commission. Julie mentioned the pillowcase initiative for the Red Cross was a huge success for Cathy Tomlinson's 4th Grade class. They were very interactive and asked many questions.

Cathy Tomlinson made a motion to adjourn and Byron Nickerson seconded the motion.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathi McGrath
EMPC Secretary