



**Naugatuck Emergency Management Advisory Council  
N.E.M.A.C.**

**Minutes of the 9/28/09 meeting**

**Attendance:**

Members:

Deputy Chief Ken Hanks NFD, Chairman  
Sheila Baummer, NPW  
Anne Butler, NVNA  
Terry Stieber, NVNA  
Fran Dambowsky, EMD  
John Deer, SC of CT, LLC  
Chief Christopher Edson, NPD  
Steve Patchkofsky, USACE  
Jay Pugliese, NPD  
Karen Spargo, NVHD  
Al Raymond, Secretary

At 7:05 PM Chairman Ken Hanks called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Council took a few moments to review the draft minutes from the last meeting. Chief Christopher Edson found a punctuation error in the minutes. A motion to accept the minutes with the error corrected was made by Anne Butler. Jay Pugliese seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Ken Hanks then began discussion of the First Meds program for town responders and efforts that have been made towards it's fulfillment. A review of the the program followed. Chairman Ken Hanks and Karen Spargo discussed First Meds and the town's level of readiness. Karen Spargo then informed the council of other towns participation and issues of implementation. Naugatuck's time to complete the program's objectives was discussed.

Chairman Ken Hanks then talked about Web EOC training. A class will be held 10/21/09 at 9:00

AM at the NPD training room. Details of the upcoming class led to a technical discussion of the system and user access policies relating to it.

Chairman Ken Hanks next opened up discussion of the new state wide emergency notification system. Chief Christopher Edson informed the council about his department's participation in the system. He also discussed use policies for the system for local emergencies and events. In subsequent discussion Chief Edson and Chairman Hanks reaffirmed the utility and reliability of the town's current Code Red notification system.

Chairman Ken Hanks then brought up the subject of local H1N1 flu vaccination/preparation issues. Karen Spargo explained CDC information on H1N1 and it's management. A further discussion ensued. Anne Butler talked about issues of vaccine distribution and availability. Karen Spargo made clear the link between this issue and the First Meds initiative. A discussion of local preparations and policies followed.

Fran Dambowsky, EMD then presented his report. He informed the council that he has prepared and submitted the materials for the Emergency Management Preparedness grant. He reviewed with the council the recent evaluation of the Emergency Operations Plan. It has been approved by DEHMS. The EMD then talked to the council about the CERT team and additional training. Per the EMD the CERT team will helping with the Car Show on 10/17/09 and will be supporting the upcoming Crop walk. After this Fran Dambowsky, EMD administered the State mandated loyalty oath to the membership.

Anne Butler then informed the council about the prescription drug disposal event occurring 10/24/09 at Town Hall. The event will run from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Jay Pugliese informed the council on preparations for the event.

Fran Dambowsky, EMD asked a question about amateur radio communications including the possibility of receiving email via amateur radio. Al Raymond, Secretary and Chairman Ken Hanks provided some information to The EMD and the council on this subject. Al Raymond, Secretary offered to investigate such systems and provide information on hardware and software requirements for such a project.

Chief Christopher Edson made a motion to adjourn. Jay Pugliese seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Albert E. Raymond  
Secretary