

**Capitol Region Fire Chiefs Association (CRFCA)**  
**ESF 4**  
**January 24, 2008**  
**Meeting**

**Convene:** Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President William Austin

**Location:** Blue Hills Fire Department, Bloomfield, CT.

**Public Comment Period:** No comments

**Attendance:** Bill Austin (West Hartford); Steve Bianchi (Windsor); Don Zessin (East Granby); Robert Cross (CTANG); Bill Riley ((Bloomfield Center); Roger Nelson (Bloomfield Center); Art Gold (Blue Hills); Bill Lewis (Windsor); Paul Nabors (Thompsonville); Bill Perkins (UCONN Med Ctr); Gordie Harris (DEMHS and Wethersfield); Chuck Flynn (Wethersfield); Tom Lapierrr (Newington); Frank Papa (Newington); Jamie DiPace (Avon); Tom Gill (Newington); Chris Schroeder (Newington); John Shaw (CREPC ESF 8); Richard Giansanti (South Windsor); William Parker (Manchester 8<sup>th</sup> Dist); Mike Eremida (East Hartford); Vin Palmeri (East Hartford); Jim Bellamo (Cromwell); James Barton (Warehouse Point); Jack Regier (Windsor); Carmine Centrella (CRCOG); Jack Farr (Rocky Hill); and Rich Frohock (New Britain)

**Minutes of previous meeting:** November 29, 2007 meeting minutes (no meeting in December 2007) were approved. Motion to pass by Tom Lapierrr and seconded by Chuck Flynn

**Treasurer's report:** Written treasurer's report submitted by Doug Whalen shows checking account balance at \$6,546.69 and savings account balance at \$4,305.58. Motion to approved report by Art Gold, motion seconded by Bill Riley. Motion was approved.

**Guest Speaker:** Carmine Centrella, CREPC Regional Planner spoke on the upcoming SWOT analysis required by ESF 4 to comply with DEMHS funding regulations. There is a total of \$1.3 million involved in FY06 funding to the region. It was agreed by the chiefs present that ESF 9 and ESF 10 would be added into the ESF4 SWOT process since fire controls all three ESFs. Inventories of equipment will need to be compiled. Data bases already exist and we will attempt to use as much of the cataloged data as possible. Carmine showed the tutorial on the resource typing and discussed items on the training tape. It was agreed that the SWOT analysis would take place at the February meeting in Avon.

**Old Business:** DEMHS minutes from January 10, 2008 were distributed and not discussed. No other reports under old business were available.

**New Business:** President Austin clarified the Q endorsement requirements for drivers of fire apparatus. President Austin discussed the upcoming 1-day HazMat training class for fire officers and encouraged as many people as possible to attend. This class will change your whole approach to hazmat as a fire officer. Dr. Shaw discussed the Mark 1 re-supply process. He explained how the regional system works and what the negotiations were with the Department of Public Health. All Mark 1's expire this year. Carmine Centrella discussed the requirements for the hazmat plan update as well as the mobilization plan update for the Capitol Region.

**Next Meeting:** February 21, 2008, 7:00 pm at the Avon Fire Department Headquarters. Take Rt. 44 West to stoplight across from Town Hall. Turn left, Station on right approximately two blocks after the turn.

**Future Meetings:** March 20, 2008, South Windsor F. D.; April 17, 2008, Newington F. D.; May 22, 2008, Wethersfield, F. D.; and June 19, 2008, at Bloomfield F. D. – Company 3.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**William H. Austin**

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