

Capitol Region Fire Chiefs Association (CRFCA)
ESF – 4
Meeting Minutes
July 27, 2006

Next Meeting: **Thursday September 28, 2006**

Location: **RICS, Central Connecticut State University, New Britain, CT**

Convene: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President William Austin

Attendance: William Austin (WHFD), Doug Whalen (BDL FD), Gary Ruggiero (WLFD), Steve Brown (WLFD), William Perez (EHFD), Jamie DiPace (AFD), Art Gold (BHFD), Chris Brewer (BFD), Mike Boucher (BFD), Tom Lapierre (NFD), Keith Victor (ESF-2)

Minutes of the April 27, 2006 meeting approved. (Brown/Ruggerio)

Treasurers Report: June 30th balance- Savings \$4,277.70, Checking \$3,602.76

Old Business:

There will be a train-the-trainer class for a pilot program related to handling disability issues during emergencies. There will be (4) classes lasting 2 ½ hours each class. The classes will be conducted in West Hartford. The program will be available to all CREPC agencies.

Animal Rescue training in May had 35 people trained in animal rescue procedures including the use of (2) trailers, 500 cages to co-locate animal shelters with human shelters during emergencies. Training included procedures for both large farm animals and domestic house pets.

Salamander Tech was the company that was awarded the accountability program for the State Hazmat teams. CREPC is looking into using this program for the regional accountability program. As more information becomes available it will be passed onto the CREPC Chiefs.

8,000 Cots have been purchased for the Capitol Region, 4,120 will be distributed to the Towns that have room to store the cots and 3,880 will be available in a trailer for immediate response to a Town in time of need.

The CAPTAIN/MDT RFP submissions will close on Friday 7/28. The CAPTAIN Program is still active, more information should be available at the September meeting

Dan Scase was not available for a training report but he has been very active providing training programs throughout the region. If anyone is interested in training issues they can contact Dan at daniel.scace@sbcglobal.net.

New Business:

FY 06 funding- 12 out of 50 States sent Homeland Security money to a regional concept. Connecticut opted not to follow that path but the State has changed the procedures for accepting Homeland Security money.

CREPC meeting in August will have a guest speaker from Israel

CCM Emergency Management Conference will be held on September 21st at CCSU.

Windsor Locks Mill Fire will be discussed more in depth at the September meeting. There were 300 firefighters on scene, (4) task forces, (2) CREPC & (2) Tolland County. IMT concept was implemented. There was 1 minor heat related incident.

Task Force information was discussed and the few task forces that are not up & operational yet will be looked into for further progress.

There will be a meeting on August 18th at CCSU on ESF-2.

Dues notice for July 2006. A motion was made and passed to set the CRFCA dues at \$50.00 (**motion: Boucher/ second: Perez**)

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Douglas P. Whalen
CRFCA Secretary/Treasurer