Minutes of the Amherstburg Emergency Preparedness Committee held on January 21, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. at 3400 Middle Sideroad.

PRESENT

NAME ORGANIZATION

Ray Marentette Amherstburg Police Bart DiPasquale Amherstburg Police

Rick Derus OPP, Essex

Karen Lavergne LaSalle Police Service

Dean Hustwick Min. of Public Safety & Security

Ken Teasdale MTO - London

Kathy Grantis EMO Emergency Information Farrukh Qureshi EMO - Nuclear Plans Officer

Steve Beatty EMO- SW

Drew Maddison EMO - SW Public Education

Phil Berthiaume Essex County Emergency Management Coordinator

Ken Day LaSalle Fire

Les Underwood CACC - MOHLTC
W. C. Howell St. Clair College
Mark Willmore OPP Chatham
Richard Murray Amherstburg Fire
Brenda Beneteau Acting Secretary

1. Chief R. Murray called the meeting to order.

2. Moved by R. Marentette, seconded by P. Berthiaume that the minutes of November 5, 2002 be adopted as printed and circulated.

Motion Carried

3. Report from EMO Representative

Steve Beatty has a set of Provincial Nuclear minutes that he would like included with minutes of today's meeting. There are some references made to Amherstburg and the Fermi II.

Farrukh Qureshi gave an update on the Provincial Nuclear Emergency Response Plan. There are some outstanding issues, but that would not prevent the plan from going for Cabinet approval.

A cheque is being sent out, should receive in 1-2 weeks.

A reminder about the Pickering 2003 Exercise on April 29, 2003.

4. Report on the Joint Information Centre

Kathy Grantis stated that the JIC was enacted during the Fermi Exercise.

We have put together some volunteer residents for Amherstburg.

All our equipment is up to par. However, with all the new technology, we do need to work on a technical link.

One major problem they did experience in the exercise was not enough phone lines for the JIC. Live internet feed and video access would also benefit the Centre. Chief R. Murray will look into the phone lines promised to us by Bell Telephone.

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4. Report on the Joint Information Centre, cont'd.

Dean Hustwick stressed that this has to be a team effort and we must work together.

5. Report on the St. Clair Evacuation Centre Drill

Dick Joyce has submitted a draft review of the St. Clair Evacuation Centre Exercise. Trying to set up a meeting next week with himself and Chief Murray to review. After finalized, a copy will be available for all involved.

Wayne Howell of St. Clair College mentioned that the staff lounge that we used previously has been downsized by about one half (½).

Also a new traffic light has been approved for the entrance to St. Clair College on Huron Church Road.

Steve Beatty also stated that any lack of or requirements so noted in the review would help support our future budget requests.

Wayne Howell also mentioned that with this double cohort at post-secondary level for this coming September, St. Clair is looking at an extra 1500+- students this September. Therefore, it is recommended that any further exercises at St. Clair be done during the summer.

6. Report on Upcoming Activities of the Consultant

Changes to Harrow Centre have to be made.

Chief R. Murray stated that Dick Joyce is planning to be working on Harrow Recreation Centre this summer with possibly an exercise to follow this fall (only for Harrow Evacuation Centre). A meeting is set for next week with Dick Joyce and himself.

7. Report from the County Emergency Planner on County Initiatives

Phil Berthiaume stated that Essex County is purchasing 2 systems of Reverse 9-1-1 at approximate cost of \$65,000.00. One will be at LaSalle and one at Learnington.

A meeting is set for next month with Red Cross to confirm list of needs.

EMO is attempting to offer first ever offered course for Emergency Training to Community Emergency Management Coordinators at the Essex Civic Centre.

8. Other Items

- Bart DiPasquale stated that they still have not received a quote on pricing from the County for the "directional signs" to evacuation centres
- There was some discussion on rerouting 401 traffic
- Ken Teasdale brought 1 map, hoping to review with the committee

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8. Other Items, cont'd.

- Chief Murray discussed option of having 1 map showing signage and another map without the signage, so it doesn't look so congested. Ken agreed that would be a good idea, and confirmed that the map without signage would be the map included in the Plan.
- Both Kathy Grantis and Dean Hustwick suggested having a liaison for JIC and Fermi II JPIC
- Windsor Fire Department is having training in Nuclear Emergency on May 7th, 2003 in the afternoon
- Windsor Fire & Rescue is having a meeting on February 4th for Chief Murray, Steve Beatty and Phil Berthiaume & Communicators
- There is also JIC training on January 30th, 2003 for Pickering Exercise with guestspeaker from the 3 mile incident
- 1st training session for Supervisors on January 28th in the afternoon
- Environment Canada is working on putting out a "Community Risk Profile"
- Question asked if there were plans to send out our "Emergency Booklet" again in the near future.
 - No, there is still lots of copies on hand for distribution to businesses, new owners and Town lobby, and no changes need to be made at present, so no need to send out right now..

9. Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 22, 2003 at 2 p.m.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

11. Note: If you have a report for the meetings, could you please have it in written form so that it can be added properly to the minutes. Thanks.

Secretary	Chairperson