

June 15, 2022

CERT Minutes

Attendance: Steve Watkins, Judy Brunett, John Riberio, Barry and JoAnn Campbell, Karon Murphy (Associate Member), Don and Maryanne Mattson, Cathy Faggioni, Dan and Mary Lou Smith, Mary Wadman, Tom Briggle, Sharon Denson, Charlie Rizzo, Duane Trotter (Guest)

Meeting called to order by Sharon Denson followed by the pledge to the flag.

Secretary Report approved as written.

Treasurer's report: \$2,587.74 Balance

Tom reported on the radios. There is one base station and six hand-held radios. They are all set to Channel 3 and numbered corresponding to zones. The antenna on the fire station is good and the radio messages are clear throughout the district. A permanent antenna will be installed after the fire station is turned over to the district. Barry has an antenna for the trailer. A lock and box need to be purchased to store the equipment in a lock box in the fire station.

Motion to spend up to \$100.00 for the box and lock. Passed. It was suggested that the box be mounted high in case of flooding.

The group thanked Tom and Barry for the work they have been doing.

TE Hurricane Expo: Deliver cookies by 6:30. Sharon will be there by 6:00. We will also furnish lemonade. Wear your vests.

Sharon reported on the County Expo in May. There was a lot of interest in CERT, Five people expressed interested in attending the basic class.

CERT Coalition: June meeting was canceled.

Trailer Report: Dan painted the exterior of the HAM trailer. It is at Dan's house, and he will keep it until he updates electrical and services generator. A deep cycle battery is needed for the trailer. Dan is getting covers for the other trailer tires after Tom measures the wheels.

Motion to spend up to \$150.00 for a deep cycle battery at Sam's or Walmart. Passed.

Emergency Drill with new radios: Will only be a call-in drill, not a full drill. Tom will coordinate with TE and get us a date. People can let Cathy know of their availability after the date is set.

The TE Disaster Plan is finished, and Sharon will email it to members.

Manatee County is putting on a CERT Training in September. Sharon and Mary Lou will be instructors for some sections.

Steve reported that Manatee County is spraying for mosquitoes (helicopters) in the next day or so.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.