

WARREN COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

March 28, 1995

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Members Present

Thomas Jenkins, Deputy Director
Office of Natural Disaster & Civil Defense

David Capron, Plant Engineer
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James Canavan, Coordinator
Emergency Medical Services

Marvin Lemery, Administrator
Fire Prevention & Building Code Enforcement

Andrew J. Roden
Environmental Representative

Philip J. Arthur
Environmental Control Manager
Finch Pruyn & Company, Inc.

Fred Lamy
Warren County Sheriff's Dept.

Captain Stanley Wood, Attending for
Chief Richard Carey
Glens Falls Police Dept.

Ron F. Davies, President
Ames Goldsmith, Inc.

Bob Desiderio, M.D., Attending for
Donald Sheeley, M.D., Director
Dept. of Emergency Medicine, Glens Falls Hospital

Laura Stebbins
Dept. of Emergency Medicine, Glens Falls Hospital

Joan Dillon
Secretary LEPC

Members Absent

Herbert E. Riedel
Senior Citizens Council

John Ellingsworth
Glens Falls Fire Dept.

Scott Sopczyk, Director
Greater Glens Falls Transit System

Members Absent (continued)

Joan Grishkot, Director
Health Services

Joseph P. Shiels
Continental Insurance

David Cedarstrom
The Chronicle

James G. Marshall, Publisher/Editor
The Post Star

GUESTS

John J. Farrell

Charles McCabe
Ames Goldsmith

Max Reichen
Finch Pruyn

Gary Skudmore
Deputy EMS Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m.

Mr. Jenkins had a meeting with Dick Westergard from the National Weather Service. He is our new regional representative and will be keeping in contact with us.

In January we attended a New York State Emergency Managers Association meeting in Saratoga. This organization has become quite active recently, forming various committees to interact with our counterparts in State and Federal agencies, and other related organizations. We are part of the technology committee.

Tom discussed Niagara Mohawk's Spier Falls dam leak. It basically turned out to be an exercise. We made the notifications necessary according to the plan. The site was visited by Frank Griffin of SEMO and Al Dewey, Director of Saratoga County's Emergency Services.

We obtained the loan of a generator and heater from the State stockpile for temporary use at East Field in the City of Glens Falls.

Steve Onderdonk of SUNY spoke to the Traffic Safety Board regarding their "Bystander Care Project". He also conducted a focus group meeting which was well attended.

Jim Canavan said that as of April 1st Warren County's Communications Center will be providing EMD (Emergency Medical Dispatch). This will provide medical information to persons calling in and help prioritize calls for

ambulances. After some explanation of some of the problems we had been experiencing, it was agreed that this updated method would be of enormous help to the citizenry.

The Chairman mentioned that his retirement would become effective May 1st and that John Farrell would become the new Deputy Director of Civil Defense at that time.

Marv Lemery brought up the subject of a consolidation of emergency services (Fire, Emergency Medical and Emergency Services) under the Department of State. This consolidation is something that all branches concerned are supporting rather than the possibility that the State Emergency Management Office should be taken over by the State Police.

Our next meeting will be June 13, 1995 at 9:30 a.m. at which time it was agreed that we would elect a new Chairman.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Dillon
Secretary