

# All Hazards Advisory Committee

## MINUTES

Thursday, July 17, 2008

CMPD/CFD Training Academy

1750 Shopton Road, Charlotte, NC 28217

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**Room 2110 - EOC**

AHAC Chairman, Wayne Broome, opened the meeting at 9:00 AM.

### **Introductions of AHAC members around the room.**

### **AHAC Status with Council and Manager's Office:**

Wayne Broome sent an email on the recognition and formalization process. The committee wants to recognize agency representation and individual representation.

### **Announcements included:**

- Catawba Nuclear Exercise on July 29<sup>th</sup> through the 31<sup>st</sup>. The 10 mile portion of the exercise will take place on July 29<sup>th</sup> and will be evaluated by FEMA. The EOC will be activated for the exercise. The 50 mile portion of the exercise is done every 6 years and will take place on July 30<sup>th</sup>. Participants in the exercise will be notified with automated messages. Participants cannot preposition personnel. In the future the NRC and FEMA may integrate a security component to this exercise.
- Weather Group is looking at altering systems and triggers for activation. Weather radios may be programmed differently and the local media should be plugged in.
- DHS is working on an educational program for improvised nuclear devices (suitcase bombs). Critical information will be provided to citizens.
- Charlotte Observer has an official CERT Team. The observer participated in the Train-The-Trainer (TTT) CERT program provided through DHS and FEMA. This program trains individuals to assist their community with becoming better prepared for disaster including assembling a 72 hour survival kit. Student participate in a 20 hour program on disaster response, safety, and recovery. Participants in this program received 166a liability coverage, specialized training, and recognition. Businesses are encouraged to participant in this program to get back on their feet 3-5 days after a disaster. CPAC has announced that CERT TTT will resume in November.
- E-Team will be used in during the Catawba Exercise. The system is currently undergoing an upgrade from Domino including a backup internet based Microsoft upgrade.

**Nomination/Election of AHAC officers for 2008** (Chairperson to be from public sector). Wayne Broome will take the seat as Chairman of AHAC. Dave Shimberg will be the Vice Chair representing the private sector. Morgan Taylor will serve as secretary.

### **Detail review of Annex M (Search and Rescue).**

Wayne Broome made the recommendation to CFD and CMPD to review this annex for changes.

Wayne Broome will look into the Coast Guard's authority with command and control on Lake Wylie.

Those individuals attempting to contact EOC personnel must make contact through CFD or CMPD since this list is not published or distributed due to privacy issues.

Wayne Broome is working on the special needs database and self registration.

**AHAC Moving Forward.**

AHAC will plug into existing programs including those with CPAC, VOAD, and CERT. VOAD will be invited to AHAC through the Red Cross. Emphasis will be on ESF's meeting each other and working together in the EOC. Annexes will be reviewed in meetings to be familiar with the All Hazards Plan.

Some discussion took place regarding amateur radio redundancy for hospital communication. Chief Dulin will provide the hospital systems with information on this capability.