



Regional Collaboration & Emergency Preparedness Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2022:

In attendance: Kevin Ferrarotti, Laurie D'Aquila, Betty Morris, Paul Rabeuf, Judi Reynolds, Don Scranton, Mike Zacchera, Robert Ziegler

Call to Order at 9:15am

The previous meeting minutes were sent out prior to this meeting.

Old Business:

The group discussed current state and review of the most recent state public hearing on EMS. There was general consensus that it was overall positive and offered a lot of support to move EMS forward!

New Business:

There was in depth conversation on how to engage the municipalities

- Discussion of CCM conference and any proposed involvement. Kevin to speak with Bill S. on CEMSABA submitting interest to speak or present (in some varied form) at the the upcoming conference for CCM in November, or in the spring. There was further discussion and recommendation from Betty to encourage letters be drafted and presented to municipal leaders statewide raising the points made at the public hearing. This will be taken back to CEMSAB meeting in two weeks.
- There was further discussion on engaging more leadership / managers / chiefs. There are currently two programs coming up:
 - o September 24th – EMS Symposium in Hartford sponsored by Hartford HealthCare – this is a general discussion on current state of EMS and collaborative opportunities
 - o October 28th – EMS PRO – hosting the 2nd annual round table discussion
- In 2023, the group felt more consistent outreach is important, and looking at a centralized location to host, or look to having regional meetings once again.
- Kevin asked that the group finalize any current work on the chief's / director "orientation" handbook that we will look to present to CEMSAB in September, endorsed by October and available for handout at the round table at EMS PRO.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00am

The next meeting will be held virtually on Friday, September 9th

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Ferrarotti, Chair