



**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE
OF THE CITY OF SPRINGVILLE, UTAH
January 21, 2016
5:30 p.m.**

ATTENDANCE: (ROLL)

WELCOME:

Chief Clinton conducting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Brent Ellingson made the motion to accept the meeting minutes from November 19, 2015, Cindy McNeese seconded the motion, motion passed.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

RADIO TEST: Michael Preuss reported that a NET test was held in December and sectors 3, 4, and 7 checked in. The NET test on January, 2016, had five people checked in representing four sectors (3, 6, 7, and 8).

NET tests are held the first Sunday of the month at 6:30 p.m. on frequency 145.75.

CERT BUSINESS: Martin Palmer presented CERT completion certificates and badges to those that completed the last CERT class. To promote and encourage attendees for the upcoming CERT course Martin has prepared a tri-fold brochure for each Stake to use to announce the course. He would like to see each Stake/Ward put an announcement in their monthly newsletter; it is encouraged to have 20 participants in each of the next two courses.

CERT CLASS: The next CERT class will begin on February 16, and February 18, 2016. This class will end in April, 2016. There will be one final date with one Mock Disaster; the tentative date is April 13, 2016.

Shaunna Johnson reported on the Merit Academy CERT class, she has prepared a book with CERT history, photos and names.

CERT Reminders: The CERT course is eight weeks; there is no charge for CERT members to attend classes as a "refresher".

CERT BREAKFAST: Volunteers are needed in food prep, serving, and bussing tables. A sign-up sheet was passed around. So far 108 people have RSVP'd that they are attending. Breakfast will be held on February 6, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the Fire Station.

BLOCK CAPTAIN TRAINING: The Block Captain Training program was presented by Paula MacDonald; she used a power point presentation prepared by Chief Clinton (this presentation is available to Emergency Preparedness Specialists to be used in their Ward's Block Captain training). Block Captain Training and Rescue

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Effort Based on Degree of Damage handouts were provided. Paula would be available to present the Block Captain Training at a Stake level. Paula can be contacted at: rpmacdonald@msn.com.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Chief Clinton reminded everyone that the Block Captain is responsible to meet the needs and build relationships of all persons in their block regardless of membership in the Church. There was much discussion regarding the use of the signal cards, it has been discussed and previous minutes will be researched regarding past discussions. Specifically the discussion centered on the use of the “White Card” (meaning that the occupants have vacated the home). Many feel that this is not necessary and the “Green Card” (all is well) should be used, so that looters will not enter the home. The “White Card” should only be used with the homeowner’s permission. The use of signal cards should be uniform and all citizens should be educated and trained in their use. This discussion will be continued at the next meeting.

ADJOURNED:

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