

# CERT

## COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

### *BRECKSVILLE – BROADVIEW HEIGHTS*

Coordinator/Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 3/2/2011

Time: 6:30pm-7:30pm

Location: Broadview Hts. Coffee Shop

Attendance: Leslie Lesinski, Tom Kalvas, Brian Russo, Ed Egut, Kurt Gerber, Carolyn Jatsek, Brian Wolf, Sue Schindler

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1. February Meeting—There was a very good turnout for this meeting with greater than 40 people in attendance. The speaker from the FBI was excellent.
2. Cleveland Counsel on World Affairs—Leslie attended this meeting in February and was one of only two CERT representatives invited to discuss pandemic preparedness.
3. FEMA—Each city needs to register their CERT programs separately due to the two separate funding streams that we operate under. Pat Koss has submitted the Broadview Hts registration and the Brecksville submission is almost complete.
4. Citizens Corp Counsel—The county held a meeting to establish this counsel which will be composed of other non-profit groups not just CERTs. Nick Phillips is the CERT representative. Nick will be responsible for reporting CERT team information at this Citizens Corp Meeting. Sharon Nicasro is asking for input as to what other organizations should be invited to this meeting.
5. Ohio Responds—In order to be covered under the Good Samaritan law CERT members must register every 3 years and give details as to the continuing educations they completed.
6. School Drill—A drill will be conducted at the Brecksville Broadview Hts Central School on 3/25/11 approximately 6-8 CERT members will be needed to help

coordinate the volunteers. Volunteers must arrive at 7:30am, the drill should end at 12 noon.

7. May Drill—A drill is being planned for May 21<sup>st</sup>. A suggestion was made to conduct the drill in Marc’s neighborhood. The wrap-up for the drill will be held at the fire station with a cook-out.

8. Thank you notes were sent to Mike Packard for the January meeting and Ken Werstak from the FBI for the February meeting.

9. March Meeting—The damage assessment training session will be conducted by Scott Packard.

10. May Meeting—ABC Fire has not responded yet about their participation in the May meeting.

6. Action Items:

	Item	Who is responsible	By when
1	Re-registration is needed for Brecksville to the Citizen Corps Council/CERT program	Chief Egut, Leslie L., Carolyn J.	March 30 <sup>th</sup>
2	The plan for the May drill needs to be formalized.	Marc R. and Brian R.	Next Coordinator meeting
3	Quad City CERT to be invited to the Army Corp of Engineers meeting in April	Leslie L.	Next Coordinator meeting
4	Set a date to begin investigating an alternative to Ohio Biz for the web site prior to February 2012.	Carolyn J., Jim S., Tom K. and Brian W.	Report the date at the next coordinator meeting.
5	Gather the necessary information to complete the POD Procedural Notebook and forward it to the Board for review and final approval.	Both Fire Departments	Report at next coordinator meeting

Next Meeting: Wednesday April 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm Broadview Hts. Coffee Shop

*Respectfully Submitted, Sue Schindler*

Cc: E.Egut, J. Hajek, C. Jatsek, P. Koss