

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ALLIANCE OF CENTRAL VIRGINIA



Regular Meeting | Thursday, December 19th, 2019 | 9:30 am - Noon

Goochland Company 1 (Manakin), 180 River Road West, Manakin-Sabot, VA 23103

Minutes

1. **Welcome and Introductions.** Robert Foresman called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. Introductions were made.
2. **Approval of minutes from the October 17, 2019 & November 17th, 2019 meeting.** A motion was made to approve the minutes by Jess Robison. Bill Lawson seconded. All were in favor. The motion was approved.
3. **Special Presentations**
 - Chief Carl Chandler, Chesterfield County, CVAHIMT
 - The team was created in 2004 following Tropical Storm Gaston and the need for additional resource management, in addition to trained, experienced, and credentialed personnel to assist with incidents
 - In 2009, four jurisdictions signed LOI agreeing to pursue the creation of the team. The team applied for an AFG grant and a UASI grant in 2010.
 - In 2015, Chesterfield County Fire Chief Loy Center signed an MOU with VDEM. Chesterfield was also recognized as the fiduciary agent for the team.
 - Team has assisted with several events including search for Hannah Graham, civil unrest in Charlottesville, Cap to Cap race, Vice Presidential Debate in Farmville, UCI bike race, NASCAR, etc. Also provide equipment and resources in addition to personnel. Team has responded on a national level and has the potential to respond on an international level.
 - CVAHIMT is request as any other mutual aid resource through VDEM. Members are trained in multiple positions. Key takeaway is that the team is coming in to assist, not to take over.
4. **Committee Reports**
 - **Mass Care** | Paul Hundley (Richmond) Next meeting: 1/9/2019 at PlanRVA
 - We have all FY18 grant money obligated.
 - For our FY19 grant money – we are planning to hold another Mass Care Symposium in the summer. It will be focused on mental health in mass care.
 - Several of the MCHS Committee members attended the Trauma Informed Care TTT class at Childsavers. We will be able to teach this class.
 - Our FY18 equipment grant funds are about 90 percent or so committed.
 - **Planning** | Curt Nellis (Powhatan) Next meeting 1/5/19 at PlanRVA

- The Planning Committee and the Olson Group have completed the final draft of the Regional Recovery Framework. Tricia Chappell is here to answer any last-minute questions regarding the plan.
 - We do have some remaining funds in our FY18 planning grant. We are looking at holding a one-day workshop or seminar for localities in the winter/early spring on how to utilize the plan in your region. We are also planning to have a scenario-based discussion. We are creating an addendum to our contract to be able to obligate the funds.
 - The Committee has had some early discussions on recovery inventory resource typing. This will be our next project.
 - Curt will not be serving as the Planning Chair next year. We are looking for someone to fill position.
- **Public Outreach** | Beverley Brandt (Colonial Heights) Next meeting 1/13/19 at PlanRVA
 - Next month's meeting will be a week earlier than usual due to MLK holiday.
 - At the January meeting, will be discussing next year's projects.
 - **CERT** | Jess Robison (Chesterfield) Next meeting 1/23/19 at PlanRVA
 - We are looking to bring a TEEX course to our regional CERT members. Looking at Feb 21st-22nd – evening and the following morning. Currently in the process of hopefully securing some space for the class to be held at the Training Center in Hanover. We are also looking for a backup location. Robin Hillman offered Goochland as a backup location.
 - Jess, Katie, and Beverley will be meeting after New Year's to discuss how to spend the remaining FY18 funds, such as for equipment, training, etc. Please let Jess know if you have any ideas or suggestions.
 - **Training & Exercise** | Bill Lawson (Richmond) Next meeting 1/28/19 at PlanRVA
 - Please start directing people to the training calendar – VDEM is now posting the classes on the calendar.
 - Please email Donna if you have a training space available. It would give us ideas for host locations for meetings and larger trainings.
 - TEPW will follow our meeting in February. We will hopefully be providing lunch. Following the TEPW, we are looking to use the funds to fill the training gaps and buy some exercise equipment. Still working on a draft form to submit for request of exercises.
5. **Finance Committee – Ben Ruppert**
- Ben Ruppert presented the newly launched Disaster Fund donation page. When you select a fund to donate, it will take you to the Community Foundation page where you can donate to the selected fund.
6. **Chief Regional Coordinator Update – Doug Gagnon, VDEM**
- Donna is on vacation until the 1st of January. Darshan is now with VCU. Please contact Doug if you have any issues.
 - January 30th – radiological workshop in Innsbrook. It is optional.

- May 28th – radiological TPX for ingestion localities. This is mandatory for all ingestion counties.
- We finished moving in about a week ago.

7. **Old/Unfinished Business**

- None

8. **New Business**

- 2020 EMACV Officers Vote
 - The Nominating Committee opened the floor for any additional nominations for the slate. The slate is as follows:
 1. Chair – Bill Lawson
 2. Vice Chair – Jess Robison
 3. Secretary – Mike Magner
 4. Finance Chair – Ben Ruppert
 - Robert Foresman asked the Committee if there were any other nominations. There were none. All were in favor. The Committee approved the slate for next year.

9. **Roundtable**

- *Jess Robison* (Chesterfield) – Just wrapped up CERT Training and Recognition banquet.
- *Katie Moody* (Plan RVA) – We are looking for a meeting location for January.
- *Robin Hillman* (Goochland) – Getting ready to start CART activities in January. Conducted an amateur radio drill back in October.
- *Sherrí Laffoon* (VDEM) – The application for technical assistance has been extended to March 1st.
- *Ben Ruppert* (Hopewell) – Just conducted active shooter exercise at John Randolph Hospital.
- *Jeff Driskill* (Chesterfield) – Looking at priorities for the end of the year, such as updating the EOP, etc. Excited to be part of the group.
- *Jordan Rennie* (CVHC) – Would like to welcome Megan Middleton. Rolling out our healthcare facility site visits. Participating in a few different exercises in the area.
- (Chesterfield HD) – Brian Pierce as accepted another position.
- *Mike Magner* (VDH) – We have seen an increase in levels of flu and Norovirus as compared to past seasons. Not sure if the season has peaked yet. Good evidence that the flu shot is a good idea. Use precautions – wash hands frequently, etc.
- *John Fitzgerald* (Richmond Airport) - Entering election season and anticipating VIPs arriving.
- *Eric Seymour* (NWS) – We are predicting normal winter weather conditions this year.
- *Department of Forestry* – Going over a major fleet upgrade now.

Adjourn – With there being no further business, Robert Foresman adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the EMACV is on Thursday, January 16th, 2019. Location: TBD

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Moody
EMACV Interim Recording Secretary

EMACV T&E Calendar

Calendar Request Form: <http://bit.ly/2omhuZN>

Training & Exercise Calendar: <http://bit.ly/2EFi0c9>

In attendance:

Anthony McLean, Richmond
Ben Ruppert, Hopewell
Christopher Warriner, VSP
Curt Nellis, Powhatan
Doug Gagnon, VDEM
Emily Ashley, Henrico
Jess Robison, Chesterfield
John Fitzgerald, RIC Airport
Katie Moody, Plan RVA
Robert Foresman, Henrico
Robert Paxton, DVEM
Robert Williams, Hopewell
Robin Hillman, Goochland
Sherri Laffoon, VDEM
David Powell, VDOT
Eddie Ferguson, Goochland
Mike Magner, VDH