

**LOWCOUNTRY COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM
QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING**

NOVEMBER 6, 2014

**CHARLESTON COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD HEADQUARTERS
2521 RESCUE ROAD NORTH CHARLESTON SC 29409**

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Adam Colley

Valarie White

Toni Janis

Darrel McKeown

Robin McKeown

Mike Volinson

Charlie Kaufman

Lori McFadden

Cathy Haynes

Christy Loyer

David Dawson

Joe Coates

1830: Meeting called to order, attendance taken and noted due to personal issues Vice Chairmen Tim Loyer and Secretary Barbara Lundy were not in attendance, their absence was Okayed by Chairmen Adam Colley prior to the meeting. Due to an incomplete board no voting by the board will take place this evening.

1840: Financial Report by LCERT Treasurer David Dawson, Current budget: \$10,964

1850: County Reports

Berkley County Mike Volinson:

32 participant CERT-basic class currently in training, upcoming large scale event training

Charleston County Joe Coates/Cathy Haynes:

Joe Coates is temporarily the point of contact for Charleston County EMD, \$9,000 grant for CERT classes need/will be used by June 2015, discussion about reverse 911 to contact CERT members, as of now 2 upcoming CERT-basic classes 1 for Kiawah, Seabrook and Johns Island 1 for the College of Charleston.

Dorchester County Charlie Kaufman:

CERT-basic class in January/February, Held a refresher class free of charge to all CERT trained individuals in the tri-county region... No one signed up the event was cancelled due to lack of interest.

TCERT Valarie White:

Recently held TCERT Advisors Summit discussed ride-a-long programs, summer camps, next year's training schedule, Explorer Competitions, Large Animal Rescue Team Training, Disaster Animal Team Training, and Expanding to the College of Charleston, James Island, Dorchester County, and Berkeley County. Advertising through Low Country Live, Spanish Radio, Politicians, etc. Lead Advisors will now meet regularly so that information can be distributed more readily.

Request made by TCERT for board approval of \$225 for the post renewal of \$125 within Learning for Life for the posts liability insurance, as well \$100 for committee member renewal. The board believes this has been previously approved however if it hasn't the board will vote on the matter the board members present Adam Colley and David Dawson both voted to approve however due to lack of a complete board the vote will be done via email.

Request made by TCERT for required Polo shirts for the Ride-a-long program, T-shirts for upcoming competitions and assistance with upcoming Advisors Summits will be voted on at a later date due to not having a final amount to be requested.

1930 OLD BUSINESS:

Need to approve last meetings minutes will be postponed until the board reconvenes in February.

1940 NEW BUSINESS, OPEN FORUM DISCUSSION ALL MEMBERS PRESENT ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE:

Chairmen Colley Read the bylaws and it was discussed that the organization has gotten away from its purpose. The verbiage of ACTIVE/INACTIVE members was discussed and shall henceforth not be used by the board. It was discussed that the reason for the verbiage was due to state requirements for different membership levels, how to appease the state while not categorizing our members was tabled due to time. Cathy Haynes delivered a motivational speech about the purpose of CERT in the Low Country. The communication breakdown was discussed and a CD was presented to the board with what should contain all CERT trained persons in the try-county area. Discussion of wording when presenting events to members was discussed all those present agreed to refrain from using a certain agency as the presenting agency for an event and instead using LCERT as the banner agency when an event is presented to members. It was decided that the next board meeting would convene on February 7, 2015 at a yet to be determined location and time.

2100 OYSTER ROAST CHRISTY LOYER:

The event is coming along well we still need tables, table cloth, signs, bidding sheets, clip boards, decorations, checkout device to process ATM/Credit Cards. There will be no cost for those 13 and under with the purchase of an adult ticket. Ticket prices will remain \$20.00 and will rise to \$25.00 on the day on the event,

those who present military or LE/EMS/FIRE/RESCUE ID will be able to pay \$20.00 at the gate for their ticket only.

2130 MEETING WAS ADJURNED