

**Brooklyn Emergency Management / HomeLand Security**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday June 16, 2022, 7:00 pm**

Present: Bill Skene, Lou Brodeur, Aaron Soucy, Will Wheaton, Richard Dvorin, John Haefele, and Sara Deshaies, Recording Secretary

1. Call to order – Bill called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. Approval of Minutes
  - a. May 19, 2022 – Lou made a motion to accept minutes as presented. Aaron seconded. Motion passed 6-0.
3. Public Comment - None
4. Old Business
  - a. LEOP
    - i. Part 2 status – Bill stated that 90% of mutual aid agreements from surrounding towns have been received. Will be submitted in the next week or so.
    - ii. Part 3 status – Bill stated it will be submitted in the next week or so.
  - b. Training
    - i. WEBEOC – Bill will follow up on getting information to members.
  - c. Statewide Exercise 5/24/2022 - State of CT does an annual exercise. This year was a standard joint exercise with EM from RI and MA. NOAA was also involved. The exercise was a category 5 hurricane simulation. Bill quickly realized that the fire house was a better place to set up headquarters than Town Hall. He needed access to printers, etc.
  - d. FACEBOOK Account
    - i. Web page access – Bill is going to have to start from scratch. He will work with Sara to get it built. Bill will also find out who has access for making changes to the Emergency Management portion of the Town of Brooklyn website.
  - e. EMPG Grant – Bill applied for this months ago. He reached out to the State on Monday to check status. It has supposedly progressed to the next level of review.
  - f. FEMA Grants – There has been no activity on this yet. Richard asked is there was a time frame. Bill stated it was more of a 'how to' rather than a deadline project.
  - g. New EMD Director and meeting on 5/31 – Was in Putnam for meet and greet with his staff. Coming to CT from PA.
  - h. Update publications – Bill hasn't had a chance to address this yet.
  - i. CERT Training – Sent email to Red Cross but no response yet.
  - j. Future projects/goals for the commission
    - i. EOC Support – Bill stated that assistance from outside sources have different expectations. Same for residents. Richard stated that a priority list would be a good idea for coordination purposes. Getting the Facebook page would be helpful as well.
5. New Business
  - a. Recent activities
    - i. Support of COVID 19 – Not much going on. Dept of Health is doing regular vaccinations. We have mask and tests.
    - ii. Expiration of Test Kits – Bill emailed Brian and Steve about expiration if test kits. Some need to be disposed of as hazardous waste and need to be identified.

- b. Recent Storms – Brooklyn hasn't had any.
- c. Other New Business –
  - i. Lou mentioned a discussion of suspending July meeting unless something critical comes up. Richard stated that unless there was a major incident, suspending July would be fine.
  - ii. Richard asked if the Commission would be part of the Fair this year. Bill stated likely not.
  - iii. Thursday, June 30th is a statewide radio check. Bill will send the notification.
- 6. Public Comment – None.
- 7. Adjournment – Aaron made a motion to adjourn. Lou seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:22pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Deshaies, Recording Secretary