EMERGENCY SELECTMEN'S MEETING August 26, 2011

Present: Chairman Littlefield, Selectmen: Woodsome, Gale, Girard & Abbott, Fire Chief Matt Bors, Deputy Chief Lisa Bennett, several members of the Fire Dept., Doug Foglio Sr., Dave Lowe, Jackie Elliott & Christina Silberman. Town Administrator Nancy Brandt called in via conference call.

The meeting began at 4:00 pm at Central Fire Station. Fire Chief Matt Bors distributed printed information with emergency contacts. Chief Bors stated that he has been in contact with York County Emergency Management Agency and reported that the storm is predicted to arrive on Sunday as a category 1 hurricane or a significant tropical storm with up to 5 inches of rain and winds up to 75 mph. Significant widespread power outages are predicted. Central Maine Power has contracted additional crews but return of power could be delayed. Chief Bors indicated that the transfer station may be closed on Sunday, however, the crew can report to Central Station to assist there. Chief Bors reviewed the staffing and equipment available during the storm as well as area shelters available. He indicated that we will provide bus transportation to the shelters if necessary.

Chief Bors asked if we should do a posting to indicate that the Town Hall will be open on Sunday. Selectman Girard asked if we have a central information point. Tom Ursia and David Lowe will be at Town Hall to answer calls and assist the public on Sunday. David will post emergency information on the town website. Residents can also call 211 for assistance. Residents can bring their own containers and get water at Town Hall or at Central Station.

There will be food available at Central Station for the workers. Town Administrator Nancy Brandt said to give out the Town Hall office number with an extension and does not think the auto attendant can be shut off on the telephone. Selectman Abbott asked if there was a hotline number. Ms. Brandt indicated that the hotline number was discontinued and said the manual to the phone system is on her desk. David Lowe will figure out a way to get the phones set up for Sunday to receive calls.

Jackie Elliott asked if there was a resource for residents to purchase gasoline. Chief Bors replied that we will have to look into this.

Chief Bors reported that the generators at Town Hall and at Central Station are fueled and ready to go. Chairman Littlefield asked that the Fire Dept. telephone number be included in the emergency information.

Jackie Elliott expressed her appreciation to the Town for being proactive and said this is much appreciated. The meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm.

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