

Aquinnah CERT Meeting

7.1.21

Present: Morgan Hodgson; Kathie Olsen; Beckie Finn; Zack Moreis; Forrest Filler; Noli Taylor

Next meeting: Thursday August 5th, 5:30pm on Zoom

Town and Tribe Emergency Plans

- Beckie and Forrest will give us an update on this at our August meeting.

Other sheltering updates:

- **Gabbi** is getting a water test done for Town Hall next week.

Trainings and events:

- **Public Safety Day** will be July 17th noon-4
 - o **Forrest** will bring some pamphlets from FEMA;
 - o **Morgan** will check at Town Hall to see if there are more shelter in place documents and will let us know if we need to print more;
 - o **Noli** will make a clipboard with sign-up sheets for the table;
 - o **Noli** will ask Kate Warner about wildfire handouts for public safety day
 - o **Beckie** will bring some freebies.
 - o **Gabbi** will make a CERT sign to hang in the front of the table.
 - o **Everyone** grab a CERT backpack from town hall! Then we can wear our vests at the table.
 - o **Forrest** will bring example backpack to have at the table.
 - o **Forrest** will email Karen to see if BoH will do anything;
 - o **Forrest** will bring a fire extinguisher to demonstrate its use.
 - o Schedule:
 - 11:30 set up: Forrest and Gabbi
 - 12-1: Kathie
 - 1-2: Noli
 - **2-4: ?**
 - 4-4:30: Forrest break down
 - o **Forrest** will set up the new message board for Public Safety Day, at Beetlebung Corner or where Moshup and State Road meet;
 - o Sign Maven **Morgan** will ask Gabbi if she'll set up a sandwich board at the other location; Morgan will check with Rhandi if there will be a banner for display
- Vineyard Climate Action Week, first week in November.
 - o We'll share our history of how we've formed, how we've grown, and what we've accomplished so far; process of getting recognized as a CERT and why that's of value; having emergency services personnel involved directly crucial
 - o Share the questionnaire Chris Siedel made for us from the MVC
 - o Recruit people from each town to come with partners to plan next steps for their own local preparedness work

- Try and make it so every town isn't reinventing the wheel; make sure we're coordinating across towns and sharing resources
- Noli will start sharing minutes from CERT meetings with Karen, Kathy Newman, Sarah Saltonstall, and Jerry Green from the Board of Health to be sure they know what we're thinking about and vice versa

Surveys and maps:

- **Gabbi** will send the list of people who said they want to be involved with CERT to **Noli** to make a spreadsheet to add to Forrest's Google Drive folder.
 - Moving forward, we'd like to invite the whole list of interested CERT volunteers to our meetings quarterly; first one of these in September or October?
- **Noli and Gabbi** will look together at survey results and try and divide up people who want to be checked in on in emergencies by neighborhood; strategize how to divide this list up between our group
- Mapping the AEDs: **Gabbi** will add the AED locations to our digital GIS map.
- **Chief Belain** is working to certify those working at the town parking lots to utilize the AEDs and will connect with Alan Ganapol--has that happened?

Funding:

- **Beckie** found out that there is a public health and safety grant opportunity for towns through the Boards of Health; she'll report back to us on this next time

Other notes:

- We're still thinking about how to install a hand pump somewhere at the town center for water resilience in case of power outages; anyone have ideas on this?