

BOUCHIE-MILBURN COMMUNITY PLANNING TEAM

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Safety Committee Meeting June 29, 2020 Minutes

Chaired by Peggy Smith

Submitted by: Peggy Smith Tier #1 liaison for Safety Committee

Meeting opened at 6 pm Minutes by Peggy Smith and Heloise Dixon-Warren

Venue: Bouchie Lake Hall Outside Picnic Area (behind hall)

There were 7 Persons attending

Committee Members: Peggy Smith, Martha Murray, Heloise Dixon-Warren, Ray Jungaro, Claudia Vogt

Guests: Jennifer Pinnette (Emergency Support Services), Debbie Knabke (Pet Safe Coalition Society of Canada)

Jennifer Pinette reviewed what the E S S does and what they offer in the way of assistance to persons who are in EMERGENCY SITUATION. Examples of fire, flooding, and evacuation orders were covered. ESS will come out for house fires and offer basics for what folks need - e.g. accommodation, food, incidentals, etc.

Volunteers with ESS are trained through the Justice Institute; covered by WCB "2-3 years of boredom + 2 weeks of chaos"

Jennifer emphasized that above all that they wanted to give the message that

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PREPAREDNESS IS THE MOST VALUABLE ASSES ANY COMMUNITY CAN HAVE AVAILABLE TO ITS MEMBERS. When our Safety Days event was mentioned she felt that her group would be more than willing to participate in the event.

When there is an evacuation, people are told where to go. RMCP in charge of traffic

Jennifer also related that they work closely with Pet Safe group and Debbie Knabeke spoke on how to be sure that your Pets were safe in an emergency situation. These two groups work closely together. Both recommended being registered with each group in advance of an emergency as well.

Bouchie Lake Rec. Grounds - CRD has power to give property to a group to use if possible; Memorandum of Understanding between the BLRC / CRD and Pet Safe; facility would be used for "triage" in case of an emergency

The second part of the meeting involved Fire Smarting and Fire Safety. Ray Jungaro suggested that we might consider using the Baseball Diamond as the venue for Safety Day because of the need to secure tents for booths. He also said that he could line up a couple of reps to set up booths and or displays said to give him a call in the AM tomorrow to discuss. 250 249 5090. Ray also suggested that we could get some interesting info from the yellow paper that was circulated with our Tax notices and suggested a read for possibilities . Example "Free disposal of wood waste from fire smarting properties.

Meeting Adjourned: 8 pm

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