

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN - BOARD OF SELECTMEN

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MEETING – HURRICANE EARL

THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 2, 2010 2:00 PM

TEMPORARY TOWN HALL

Assistant Town Manager David Gardner convened the meeting at 2:05 PM noting the following Board of Selectmen attending: Michele Couture, David Bedard, Elaine Anderson, and Austin Knight

Excused Absence: John Santos

Other attendees: Sandy Turner, Jane Evans, David Guertin, Brian Carlson, Jeff Jaran, James Golden, Ray Duarte, James Roderick, Luis Ribas, Chris Hottle, Jackie Kelly, Radu Luca, Rex McKinsey, Beth O'Rourke, Beth Singer, Michael Trovato.

Recorder: Vernon Porter

The purpose of this emergency meeting was to give an update on Hurricane Earl, and to discuss measures to be put in place.

- National Weather Service has issued a Hurricane Warning for the Cape and Islands which means that the hurricane is expected to pass within 24 hours. Expect to pass over midnight Friday, and to pass within 75 miles South East of Nantucket as a Category 2, possibly Category 3. Winds ranging from 96 to 110 mph for category 2. Once sustaining winds reach 70 MPH the Sagamore and Bourne bridges will be closed. Moderate coastal flooding. Rain of 2 to 4.3 inches with possible up to 6" during 6 hour timeframe. Storm Surge 3 – 6 Ft. during low tide Saturday morning between 3 and 5 AM.
- Awaiting word from Red Cross and County regarding staffing of local regional shelters. Dr. Singer offered the Veterans Memorial Elementary School as a local shelter. Pets cannot be permitted at the VMES at this time.
- Vernon to contact NSTAR to have crew stationed at Fire Station on Shank Painter Road.
- Emergency Parking Ban – No vehicle on Commercial Street from 4 PM on Friday for 24 hour period. Cars can park free in MPL and Grace Gouveia Lots. Contact Domenic.
- All departments are on call and are well prepared.
- Continuing to participate in the twice daily emergency management briefs with MEMA and the National Weather Service. Will reconvene at 2 PM Friday – September 3, 2010 here at Temporary Town Hall.

Motion to adjourn by David Bedard at 3:10 PM.

Minutes transcribed by: Vernon G. Porter, Secretary to Board of Selectmen
September 7, 2010