

**Draft Minutes of the  
Community Resilience Organization Hartford  
July 14, 2016**

**Members Present:** Laura Simon.

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Leo Pullar and Planner Matt Osborn.

**Others Present:** Cathy Geiger, Brett Mayfair and Selectboard Liaison Simon Dennis

A Community Resilience Organization Hartford (CROH) Meeting was held at the Hartford Town Hall, 171 Bridge Street, WRJ, Vermont, on Thursday, July 14, 2016 in Meeting Room 2. Laura Simon called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

- 1. Review of the July 6 CROH Meeting Minutes:** Laura Simon asked if there are any corrections to the Draft Meeting Minutes of July 6<sup>th</sup>. There were no changes and the minutes were accepted as written.
- 2. Hartford Resilience Week: Building Skills and Neighborhood Connections:**

- a. Workshops: There was a discussion regarding the dates and times of the workshops and revisions since the July 6<sup>th</sup> workshop schedule.

Laura Simon reported that speakers for the opening panel discussion have been confirmed: Kevin Geiger, Martha McDaniel and Will Allen with Town Manager Leo Pullar introducing the panelists. Simon Dennis suggested holding the event at the Bugbee Senior Center since it has a larger capacity than the Town Hall.

Cathy Geiger requested a change in her presentation. She would like to do a lead-in to Alan Johnson's presentation on energy independence with a discussion on Weather, Climate and Resilience at the Town Hall on Tuesday. She also would like to repeat the presentation at the West Hartford Library on Friday. At the West Hartford event, she would also like to invite elected officials and candidates to discuss resilience. She suggested having a moderator for the event. It was agreed to continue discussion at the next CROH Meeting.

It was agreed to firm up the dates and locations for the workshops and obtain short descriptions of each workshop and brief biographies of each speaker for the next meeting.

The following is a update of the workshop schedule:

| Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
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| 8/22   | 8/23  | 8/24   | 8/25   | 8/26  | 8/27  |
| Resilience Panel Discussion Pullar, W. Allen, K Geiger & M. McDaniel, 7-9 @ Bugbee | Weather Climate & Resilience Cathy Geiger 6:00-7:00 @ Town Hall |  | Preparedness 101 for Seniors Fire Dept. 12:00 @ Bugbee | Weather Climate & Resilience Cathy Geiger 6:00 -7:00 @ W.H. Library | Teaching Each Other, Skill Share Sharon Mueller 2:30 - 4:00 @ Quechee _ |
|  | Energy Independence Alan Johnson 7:00 - 8:00 @ Town Hall        | Collapse and Opportunity Carl Rosengrant 7:00 - 9:00 @ Town Hall | Preparedness 101 Fire Dept.7:00-8:30 @ Town Hall       |   | Growing in Winter Chuck Wooster 3:00-5:00 @ Sunrise Farm                |
|  |   | Wild Edibles Food walk Mark Kotalowski - 5:30 -6:30 @            | Soil Symposium 6:00 -8:00 @ CTP                        |   | Resiliency Celebration 5:00 – 7:00 Town Hall                            |

- b. Community Celebration: Laura Simon suggested inviting Peg Elmer as a speaker for the community celebration. She also suggested distributing certificates to those attending the workshops at the event. It was agreed to continue discussion at the next meeting.
- c. Publicity: Laura Simon stated that she would like to see CROH start publicizing the CROH Week events. Matt Osborn suggested firming up the schedule first. Simon Dennis noted that we have the CROH Week save the date cards. It was agreed to distribute the save the date cards and try to firm up the workshop schedule next week.
4. **Next Meeting**: It was agreed to schedule the next meeting on Tuesday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Simon Dennis requested that discussion of the Fruit Tree Planting be added to the meeting agenda.
5. **Adjournment**: The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.