

**Approved Minutes of the  
Community Resilience Organization Hartford  
August 19, 2016**

**Members Present:** Kye Cochran and Chair Dylan Kreis.

**Staff Present:** Planner Matt Osborn.

**Others Present:** Selectboard Liaison Simon Dennis.

A Community Resilience Organization Hartford (CROH) Meeting was held at the Hartford Town Hall, 171 Bridge Street, WRJ, Vermont, on Friday, August 19, 2016 in Meeting Room 2. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

**1. Hartford Resilience Week: Building Skills and Neighborhood Connections:**

- a. Workshops: Matt Osborn reported that the Tuesday workshop was moved back to Meeting Room 2 after the Selectboard scheduled a special Selectboard meeting in Meeting Room 1. Dylan Kreis noted that he will not be in attendance at the Thursday mid-day Emergency Preparedness for Seniors workshop at the Bugbee Senior Center. He suggested that Jon Bouton do the introduction of Shawn Hannux.

**Resilience Week Schedule**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8/22	8/23	8/24	8/25	8/26	8/27
Introduction to Community Resilience: Leo Pullar, Will Allen, Kevin Geiger & Martha McDaniel, 7-9 @ Bugbee Senior Ctr. 262 N. Main St WRJ (SD)	Weather, Climate & Resilience: Memories of Irene; Cathy Geiger 6:00-7:00 @ Hartford Town Hall 171 Bridge St. WRJ (LS)	Collapse and Opportunity Karl Rosengrant 7:00 - 9:00 @ Hartford Town Hall, 171 Bridge St. WRJ (SD)	Emergency Preparedness 101 for Seniors Hartford Fire Department 12:30 @ Bugbee Senior Center 262 N. Main St. WRJ (DK)	Weather, Climate & Resilience: Memories of Irene; Cathy Geiger 6:00 - 7:00 @ W. Hartford Library 5133 Route 14 W. Hartford (LS)	Teaching Each Other, Skill Share Sharon Mueller 3:00 - 4:00 @ Quechee Library 1957 Quechee Main St. Quechee (KC)_
	Is Your Home Ready? Energy Independence Alan Johnson & Steve Spatz 7:00 - 8:00 @ Hartford Town Hall 171 Bridge St. White River Junction (LS & DK)		Wild Edibles Food Walk Mark Kutolowski 3:00 - 5:00 @ Center for Transformational Practice, 149 Latham Works Lane WRJ (KC)		Growing in Winter Chuck Wooster 3:00-4:30 @ Sunrise Farm 1759 N. Hartland Road (Route 5 South) WRJ (KC)
			Symposium on Soil 5:30 -7:30, Cat Buxton & Didi Pershouse @ Center for Transformational Practice 149 Latham Works Lane WRJ (SD) Potluck to follow		Celebration of Community Resilience: 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Hartford Town Hall – 171 Bridge St. WRJ Tree Planting, Irene Storytelling, Keynote- Peg Elmer Hough Music & Food
			Emergency Preparedness 101 Hartford Fire Department 7:00- 8:30 p.m. @ Hartford Town Hall, 171 Bridge St. WRJ (DK)		

Regarding food, it was agreed to provide food at the Introduction to Community Resilience, Collapse and Opportunity, Weather Climate and Resilience and Is Your Home Ready/Energy Independence. Matt Osborn will be responsible for food for the workshops. Matt noted that Jon Bouton and Kye Cochran volunteered to make cookies for the events.

- b. Community Celebration: Simon Dennis suggested moving the story telling before the dedication and starting the story telling with Upper Valley Strong talking about their work following Tropical Storm Irene. Matt Osborn responded that he will contact Upper Valley Strong. Simon also suggested that it would be preferable to have a Red Cross representative who was involved in the Irene Flood recovery. Simon suggested having Cathy Geiger follow the UV Strong with a story and have some folks lined up and then open it up to the audience. Dylan Kreis will monitor the story telling. Matt noted that Jon Bouton had volunteered to invite story tellers to the event. The following is the revised celebration schedule:

- Tree Planting: Cat Buxton & Apple Corps (outside) 5:10 – 5:20
- Transition to Inside with Music: 5:20 -5:30
- Story Telling: Memories of Irene starting with UV Strong: 5:40 – 6:10
- Dedication: Dylan Kreis 6:10 – 6:20
- Keynote Speaker: Peg Elmer Hough 6:20 -6:40
- Red Cross; This is What We Do: 6:40 – 6:50
- Closing Remarks: Dylan Kreis 6:50 – 7:00
- Photo Montage, River Table Demonstration, Food, Music & Socializing (on-going)

Regarding the tree planting, Simon Dennis reported that two apple trees and two pear trees will be planted adjacent to the Town Hall on the west side of the building along the walkway to Bridge Street. Simon met on site with Apple Corps and Parks and Recreation Department Director Tad Nunez to work out the specific location for the trees.

Kye Cochran noted that she will be responsible for taking care of food for the Community Celebration with gift certificates from the Upper Valley Food Co-op and the Co-op Food Store.

- c. Publicity: Matt Osborn reported that a transaction ad appeared in the Valley News last Saturday and another ad will appear in the Valley News tomorrow. Matt reported that he posted each event on the Valley News Calendar. He also sent out a press release for the resilience week events. Kye Cochran and Dylan Kreis reported that they distributed flyers around town.

2. **Review of the August 15<sup>th</sup> CROH Meeting Minutes**: Dylan Kreis asked if there are any corrections to the Draft Meeting Minutes of August 15<sup>th</sup>. There were no changes and the minutes were accepted as written.
3. **Next Meeting**: The Committee agreed to meet on Wednesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.
4. **Adjournment**: The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.