

**Approved Minutes of the  
Community Resilience Organization Hartford  
August 24, 2016**

**Members Present:** Jon Bouton, Laura Simon and Chair Dylan Kreis.

**Staff Present:** Planner Matt Osborn.

**Others Present:** None.

A Community Resilience Organization Hartford (CROH) Meeting was held at the Hartford Town Hall, 171 Bridge Street, WRJ, Vermont, on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 in Meeting Room 2. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

- a. Workshops: Matt Osborn reported that he is very pleased that the first three events went off extremely well and there was a great turnout. The Committee agreed. Dylan Kreis requested that each the Committee member obtain the mailing address of each presenter so we can send a personalized thank you note. The Committee agreed. Laura Simon reported that CATV recorded the first three events. Laura has the CATV video equipment and will be videotaping some of the other events.

**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)		

Laura Simon suggested distributing a survey to get feedback on Resilience Week. The Committee agreed. Matt Osborn suggested adding a question about future topics. The Committee agreed. Laura volunteered to prepare a draft and e-mail it to the Committee.

- b. Community Celebration: Matt Osborn reported that he is in touch with the Upper Valley Strong and Red Cross. He noted that Kye will take care of food for the event. Jon Bouton volunteered to invite story tellers to the event. He also suggested having the river demonstration during the gap in scheduling transitioning to storytelling. It was agreed that it could occur during the gap or at the end of the celebration or both times. The following is the celebration schedule:

- Tree Planting: Cat Buxton & Apple Corps (outside) 5:00 – 5:20
- Transition to Inside with Music: 5:20 -5:30
- Story Telling: Memories of Irene: 5:40 – 6:10
- Dedication: Dylan Kreis 6:10 – 6:15
- Keynote Speaker: Peg Elmer Hough 6:15 -6:35
- Red Cross; This is What We Do: 6:45 – 6:55
- Upper Valley Strong; This is What We Do: 6:35 – 6:45
- Closing Remarks: Dylan Kreis 6:55 – 7:00
- Photo Montage, River Table Demonstration, Food, Music & Socializing (on-going)

- c. Publicity: Matt Osborn reported that transaction ads appeared in the Valley News the last two Saturdays. Matt also reported that each event has been posted on the Valley News Calendar. Jon Bouton noted that daily list serv notice have been going out.

2. **Review of the August 19<sup>th</sup> CROH Meeting Minutes**: Dylan Kreis stated that he wasn't aware that closing remarks were added to the agenda. There was discussion and Dylan agreed to provide brief closing remarks. The minutes were accepted as written.
3. **Next Meeting**: The Committee did not decide on the date of the next meeting, but agreed that a meeting should occur sometime fairly soon after Resilience Week.
4. **Adjournment**: The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.