



Fairhaven Board of Selectmen

February 8, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Present: Selectman Chairman Brian Bowcock, Vice Chairman Charles Murphy, Executive Secretary Jeffrey Osuch, Administrative Assistant Anne Kakley. Also present: BPW Superintendent Vincent Furtado, Sewer Superintendent Linda Schick, Highway Superintendent John Charbonneau, Fire Chief Timothy Francis, Police Chief Michael Myers, School Superintendent Robert Baldwin, Safety Officer John Rogers and Shelter Coordinator Lynne Gautreau.

Chairman Brian Bowcock called the meeting to order in the Fire Department Meeting Room at 12:09 p.m.

EMERGENCY MEETING FOR BLIZZARD

Dr. Bowcock explained that he was calling the emergency meeting to order to discuss the coordination of efforts prior to the blizzard, dubbed “Nemo” by the National Weather Service, which was scheduled to intensify in the evening/night hours of February 8, 2013. The SouthCoast was predicted to get 2 feet of snow with high winds. Dr. Bowcock said that NSTAR was not scheduled to come out until the storm was over, so any potential outages would not be resolved until the storm was over. He said that the Town Hall would be closing early at 1:00 p.m. with no lunches for personnel.

Mr. Espindola joined the meeting at 12:12 p.m.

Discussion ensued regarding snow removal, equipment and snow bans.

Mr. Osuch said that, depending on the severity of the wind, the Town Hall would have to shut down the computer server and the government access station would not be available to subscribers if that happened.

Dr. Baldwin said that the School Department would work with the Town to make a shelter available at the Hastings Middle School, but that he would need help from the Town to get the parking lot plowed and areaways shoveled. He said that they would need nurse and custodial help. Mr. Rogers said that there were eight cots available from the EMA, so shelter goers would have to bring their own bedding.

Plowing shifts were discussed. Mr. Charbonneau said that plowing personnel would be operating on 12-hour shifts. Mr. Osuch will provide relief, if necessary.

It was determined that Dr. Baldwin would be called if the Town needed to set up a shelter. At the time of the meeting, it was decided that an EOC (Emergency Operations Center) would not need to be set up.

The meeting disbanded at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully,

Anne Kakley

Selectmen's Secretary
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