

Safe Scouting Committee Meeting
April 13th, 2010
Council Service Center 5:30 – 6:30

Attendance: Tom Bergquist, Mike Lee, Steve Altchuler, Steve Carlin, Marlowe Bennett, Ray Goranson
Tom Barry

Action Items:

1. Steve Carlin will continue to work on the siren to make sure it works by summer camp
2. Properties committee will work to create an estimate for shelters so we can try to find funding
 - a. Committee will also investigate the question of ventilation
3. Tom Barry will report on the Event Cancellation Insurance at the next staff meeting to inform other staff members on its availability
4. Mike Lee will look into whether or not we have flood insurance and what flood plain the office sites in.
5. Mike Lee will look into starting an insurance audit for the council. Committee will help wherever possible.
6. Tom Barry will pass on the necessary information for Gini to work on the council website
7. Tom Barry will arrange the summer camp Safe Scouting logo contest

Report and Discussion:

1. Tornado Siren
 - a. Steve Carlin mentioned the siren is in place and the batteries are installed. Everything else is ready to go.
 - i. Jeff Kranz will be out to inspect the siren and wiring.
 - ii. Siren will be done by the time summer camp roles around.
2. Tornado Shelter
 - a. Steve Carlin showed the requirements that FEMA and Olmsted County require for storm shelters
 - b. Steve mentioned we would need multiple structures due to the distances between campsites, program areas, etc.
 - c. Committee discussed how big the shelters should be and how many should be built
 - i. Committee decided on 2-3 shelters. One in Boy Scout area of camp and 1-2 in Cub Scout area of camp.
 - ii. Requirements state 5 square feet per person
 - iii. Steve Altchuler asked how much can you overload the structure (structure for 150 filled with 200)
 - iv. Building would be similar to a bunker
 - v. Ray Goranson questioned what the summer camp numbers were

1. Tom Barry said numbers have been decreasing slightly and camps ranged from between 50 – 250 people (including Scouts, parents and staff)
 - vi. Steve Altchuler asked about ventilation system
 1. Steve Carlin said the ventilation system is not required according to the FEMA standards.
 2. Steve Altchuler recommended we look into ventilation systems irregardless
 - d. Marlowe questioned about funding for a shelter
 - i. Steve Carlin informed him that there are federal grants to help communities with shelters. Due to the size of our camp and the neighboring farms we could fall under the community description
 1. The shelters at Camp Winnebago we covered 90% from federal grants
 2. Steve Altchuler suggested that we ask for larger shelters in case we don't get full funding (ask for shelters to cover 450 people when we only desire shelters for 300)
 3. Tom Barry questioned whether or not we could receive federal funding for the basement of the new dining hall which could also be a storm shelter.
 4. Mike Lee questioned if it would be cheaper to build one large shelter rather than two smaller shelters in the Cub Scout camp
3. Insurance
- a. Mike Lee presented on the three insurance opportunities passed down from national
 - i. Business Interruption Insurance would cover civil or military authority interrupting business for offsite events (county closes road to camp so no one can get there)
 - ii. Communicable Diseases Insurance would cover the loss of revenue due to H1N1, E-coli etc.
 1. Premium was \$750 to cover at most, \$11,000 in income
 2. Mike commented that it was a lot of expense for a minimal loss
 3. Ray asked if any of our other insurance policies would cover this kind of loss.
 - a. Mike said no current insurance held by the council would cover this kind of loss
 4. Steve Altchuler commented on how many of the diseases aren't as prevalent, E-coli probably the biggest risk at camp. Steve asked Mike if he would sell this policy with a straight face.
 - a. Mike responded he could not
 - iii. Event Cancellation Coverage
 1. Insurance would cover the loss of income from a canceled event
 2. Each event would need its own separate policy with \$150 premium per policy

