

Wagait Shire Emergency Management Recovery Committee

Minutes

Meeting Date

17 September 2014 at 6.30pm

Venue

Wagait Shire Council Community Centre

Attendance

Chris Tyzack, Fred Gillis, Lorna Manning, Barry Demasson, Lisa Marie Stones, Ian Hinchliffe, Kim Dye, Nic Barclay Belyuen Clinic Manager

Apologies

Michael Campaign, Peter Clee

Previous Minutes

Minutes of meeting 25 June 2014.

Business Arising/Action arising from previous minutes

- Chris to arrange plan to be submitted to council for approval-done and copy of cover note provided to members this will be listed as a policy of council
- A public meeting to be conducted to promote new emergency management act and to recruit members in September- Council is already planning a public meeting in October and had one in September so we will put ours on hold.
- SMS messaging and emergency management -see general business
- Fred to follow up with NTES regional office about possibility for cost recovery senior first aid course locally. NTES could run a non-credentialed one but group felt better to run credentialed one and to apply for funding in next round of Emergency management funds.

General Business

The group was advised of several grant applications that were put in for disaster resilience funds. The 2 applications were successful, a generator for council building and satellite phones for emergency personnel and council will managed them. This means we have 2 operational shelters for cyclone season.

More general discussion about how to contact community in times of emergency. Chris suggested as Darwin Council does we have brochure/flyer go out in next rates notice which contains information about council activities and a request for residents to provide council with approval to use their contact details. In the interim any request/information for the community can use Cox Club sms/email system and or shop facebook page. Council now has a database of those who responded to community survey.

Team were reminded that cyclone season around the corner and to let Chris know your availability. Fred was asked if NTES and Council are going to put up a flyer about cyclone preparation and information about the shelters.

Group was advised that NTES is trying to recruit new members. They hope to have assistance from head office but all members were asked to think about any one they know and encourage them to join.

Business arising from this meeting

- Chris to talk with Michael about council brochure in next rates mail out
- Fred/Michael to discuss flyer for cyclone season

Next meeting

The next meeting is proposed for Wednesday 19 November 2014 at 6.30.