

Wagait Shire Emergency Management Recovery Committee

Minutes

Meeting Date

9 September 2015 at 6.30pm

Venue

Wagait Shire Community Centre

Attendance

Chris Tyzack, Lorna Manning, Kim Dye, Deborah Allen, Nic Barclay, Fred Gillis, Barry Demasson, Peter Clee, Ian Hinchliffe, Lisa Marie Stones

Apologies

Previous Minutes

Minutes of meeting 24 June 2015.

Business Arising/Action arising from previous minutes

- Wagait Shire Council to prepare a general residents brochure to include information about emergency management arrangements – still under active consideration - action CEO
- Information on council web site about emergency kits/household plans or link to secure NT web site – actioned by CEO (site is clunky and needs attention)
- Committee list to be updated and circulated – Chris actioned
- Resource list to be updated and circulated – Chris still to action
- Terms of reference updated and circulated – Further discussion occurred regarding the need for a quorum during operational times compared with general meetings and it was agreed the TOR would be further amended – Chris to amend and recirculate
- Sat phones to next meeting – CEO
- Recovery Committee final minutes to be uploaded to council web site. Chris to provide copies to CEO once minutes finalised - ongoing

General Business

Council generator efficiency (for shelters, council building and community centre). The program for starting the generators under load for at least one hour needs to be undertaken regularly. Council CEO to ensure this is programmed.

Nic, Belyuen clinic manager advised the old cyclone kits had been returned to RDH stores for updating. He also advised the new clinic Belyuen generator had been installed and they had a contractor regularly starting and servicing it.

Discussion about water tanks service quality occurred as the gutters had now been cleaned but with the dew and small amount of rain its important this does not get into tanks until roof and gutters have had a good flush.

New Business

A cyclonic event scenario was prepared and discussed. As a result it was agreed at our next meeting we will have available A4 maps of the area to review what we know about the communities profile. Storage facilities, in particular refrigeration was discussed. Comments made that the shop did have a generator and if unscathed would be very useful during recovery. It was suggested that the supermarket owners be invited onto this group. It was agreed depending on the event there were a number of others in the community that may be invited to be involved during an actual operational situation. Similarly, if members of this committee are absent there

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are at least 2 other former member (Trish and Karen) who have both agreed to help out if needed.

Business arising from this meeting

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- Sat phones to next meeting – CEO
- A4 size community maps at meeting - Chris

Next meeting

The next meeting - Wednesday 14 October 2015 at 6.30.