The Public Safety Committee met Monday, 8 April 2019 beginning shortly after 10:00 am at the conference room at Town Hall. Committee Chair John Gregg was joined by Committee members Allan Keener, Ed Maher and Rob Savin. Town Councilman Skip Crane and Town Administrator Joe Cronin also attended the meeting. An agenda for the meeting is attached.

1. Minutes of 11 March Meeting

Minutes of the Committee meeting of 11 March were approved as presented.

2. Disaster Awareness Day 2019

Mr. Gregg reminded the Committee that the 2019 Disaster Awareness Day event, jointly sponsored by the towns of Kiawah and Seabrook is scheduled for Friday, 14 June at the Seabrook Island Club. The program is expected to be 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and lunch will follow. At the end of the lunch and exhibitor visitation period, there will be a grand prize drawing.

3. CEP Proposed 2019 Updates

The Committee continued review of draft revisions of the CEP with reference to a table of recommended revisions compiled from DRC sessions held during 2018 and the DRC January training and exercise sessions. The Committee recommended that a checklist for DRC member organizations directed to challenges when staff members responsible for emergency response are not available should be made available in an on-line “fillable” form. The Committee discussed whether a “staging area” would be advantageous for managing returning residents following evacuation but concluded that transport from a “staging area” into the community into areas where active debris clearing was underway was not desirable. The Committee favored limiting return according to debris clearing progress having been made so that risks of encounters with debris removal operations was significantly reduced.

Disaster Recovery Council

Mr. Gregg expressed his expectation that the June training and exercises sessions of the Disaster Recovery Council would be based on a hurricane scenario. He noted that the Town would be following the changes of the State and Charleston County from a five step OPCON arrangement to a three step arrangement. The hurricane scenario will allow the Town to discover unexpected challenges of that change.

4. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for 10:00 am on Monday, 8 April 2019.

5. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at about 11:50 am.
MEETING

Public Safety Committee

8 April 2019 at 10:00 am at Town Hall (Conference Room)

AGENDA

1. Minutes from 11 March 2019 meeting
2. Disaster Awareness Day 2019
3. CEP Proposed 2019 Updates (Table from “Improvement Plans” and CEP mark-up)
4. Next Meeting
5. Adjourn