

DUTCHESS COUNTY EMS TASK FORCE MEETING

April 18, 2016
392 Creek Road
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Present: Carol Bogle, Bernadette Cekuta, Bruce Cuttler, Kevin Gage, Cheryl Hilbrandt, Chris Howard, Mark Johnson, Dave Kelly, Legislator Jerry Landisi, Chris Maeder, John Mahoney, Tim Murphy, Legislator Kari Reiser, Chris Rohrbach, Dewitt Sagendorph, Dave Schultz, Dana Smith, Cathi Tegtmeier, Dave Violante, Bill Gustafsen representing Assembly member DiDi Barrett

Absent: Assembly Member Kevin Cahill, Patricia Fusco, Dan Nichols, Richard Robinson, Assembly Member Frank Skartados, Anthony Ruggiero, Senator Sue Serino, Senator Terrence Murphy

- Commissioner of Emergency Response Dana Smith welcomed the group.

SWOT Analysis-Chris and John reviewed the SWOT Analysis (see attached). A more detailed handout with actual responses to the SWOT was also distributed. (see attached).

SWOT Template- Cathi presented the template to use as a tool for the Action Plan Development. The template aided the group in prioritizing the categories of the SWOT. This will help identify strategies already in place and to identify gaps to be further explored. These gaps may become an EMS Taskforce action item and/or workgroup focus. (see attached template with top priorities decided on by group filled in).

It was decided that everyone completes the template as best you can and submit via the taskforce email at: EMSTaskForce@dutchessny.gov by Monday May 2, 2016.

- **Bernadette** has agreed to write up a handout on “What does becoming an EMT involve”. This will include continued training etc.

- **Dana** will provide a coverage map of the County to everyone for reference.
- **A list** of common EMS acronyms will be provided.
- **A request** for information of the various structures of fire districts was requested, such as differences between fire districts, corps. etc.
- **Finance**-we will hold 2 presentations on financial issues regarding EMS. Dave Kelly will present EMS finances from the viewpoint of a municipality. There will be another presentation from the EMS viewpoint. This will include EMS finances, reimbursement, and the Affordable Care Act.
- Website that might be helpful....EMSworld.com
- Next meeting-TBD

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Colgan

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SWOT is a widely utilized tool for strategic planning and complex decision making. The SWOT tool provides structure to, or summarizes, our strategic analysis.

Steering Committee- A Steering Committee will be established to meet 2x a month and will report to the entire group. The following have volunteered to be part of the Steering Committee:

- Dave Violanti
- Chris Maeder
- Tim Murphy
- Anthony Ruggiero

Next Meeting- To be determined

Respectfully submitted by Susan Sellitto