



Tioga County Animal Response Team
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Nancy Shultis, CART Coordinator

Meeting Minutes

10:00am on 09/09/16 @ Tioga County Emergency Services

- What size is the ball on the CART trailer?
- Dave Burket has a CART logo he will send Benton
- Surrounding Counties
 - o Potter County – Lucinda Ware is their coordinator but they are not supported by the County
 - o Bradford County – They have two trailers and lots of supplies but no official team (as far as we are aware)
 - o Lycoming County – Benton reached out to their Emergency Manager but have not yet heard back about their status
- CART Organization
 - o By-Laws
 - o Positions and Elections
- Training
 - o SART has a list of minimum training needed to be a responder
 - o Group decided that not all CART members would need to be trained at the responder level
 - Should have administrative and/or fundraising level of membership to allow for people to be a part of the effort, even if they don't want to be an emergency responder
 - o Group decided that we should allow people to join under a different level of membership until their training is complete (at which point they could become a responding member)
 - o All of this should be captured in the By-Laws
- Swift911 – Everyone should download
 - o A tool we can use to send alerts to team members whenever there is a response
- Resource List
 - o Dave Burket will work on updating our old list
 - Trailers, temporary places to house animals, etc.
 - o Veterinary Clinics – Lisa Rice and Karen Reside will work on updating survey to send out
 - We can also do one-on-one meetings with the clinics to go over their survey results and potentially tour their facilities

- Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) – Should create some basic drafts so that we can determine basic pricing for services *before* an emergency happens where the CART might need something for an animal
 - This could include a deductible or some kind of baseline fee
- Open House – Sunday, October 23rd from 10:00am-2:00pm at the Tioga County Emergency Services Building
 - Will have a tent with banner and a TV with PowerPoint slideshow of CART trainings and photos
 - Will have our trailer and surrounding county trailers (hopefully) as well
 - Invitees:
 - Tioga County EMS/Fire/Law Enforcement including:
 - Bryan Phelps – Coudersport PD Chief (with canine)
 - Pennsylvania State Police (PSP) Dog Trooper
 - Other Government Agencies:
 - Fish Commission
 - Dog Warden
 - Game Commission
 - Private Sector Businesses including:
 - Cornell Brothers Feed Mill
 - Rockwell's Feed Store
 - Tractor Supply
 - Walmart
 - Local Clubs
 - 4-H
 - Horse riding clubs
 - Animal Establishments (can also place on bulletin boards)
 - Lydia and Nancy Whitmer for reptiles
 - Veterinary Clinics
 - Wellsboro Animal Care Sanctuary (ACS)
 - Other CARTs
 - Dog Trainers (and those interested in becoming dog trainers)
 - Ed Barr and John
 - Cynthia Nolton
 - Amber ?
 - Karen Reside
 - Dave Burket
 - Lisa Rice
 - Media
 - Newspapers (Wellsboro Gazette, Penny Saver, etc.)
 - Wellsboro Home Page
 - TV Stations
- Website - www.tiogacountypa.us/Departments/Emergency_Services/Pages/04-01-CART
 - Nancy's title should read "CART Coordinator"
 - Should include the following sections:
 - What do I need to become a member?

- Skills
 - Training
 - “Within 1 year, you will need to complete...”
 - Junior Members (minors under the age of 18)
- Should remove mention of the American Red Cross (ARC) as we do not work directly with them yet
- Should include a “supporting clinics” section to list those who have signed an MOU or donated supplies
- Social Media
 - The group would like to start a Facebook page/social media presence
 - Can link the Tioga County CART page with the 911 Center’s as well as other vet clinics and animal sanctuaries in the area
- Fundraising Options
 - Pet Memorial Wall
 - Writing to all feed mill/animal supply stores
 - PetCo and PetSmart (even though they’re not in our County, they may want to support)
 - GoFundMe Page – During a disaster
- CART Logo
 - Dave Burket has the original Tioga County CART logo
 - Benton will look at and come up with some options for the next meeting
 - Sami Sutton (Erie County, PA) is also interested in making a logo for us free of charge as long as we give her artistic credit
- **Next Meeting: Friday, October 14th at 10:00am** at Tioga County Emergency Services building