CERT Minutes 1/17/2024

Attendance: Mark Mellenthin, Karon Murphy, Deborah McMullan, Steve Watkins, Tom Briggle, Charlie Rizzo, Sharon Denson, Laura Freese, Mary Lou Smith, Sherrell Wise, Jim Brunett

The meeting was called to order by Laura Freese at 10:00 am. The pledge to the flag was followed by approval of the December minutes as corrected and published on the website.

We have \$4,244.44 in the checking account. Breakfast ticket sales and expenses are included.

Old Business

Sharon reported that there will be another CERT Basic Class on Feb 21, 22, 23, 26, .28. and 29th. Classes will be held at the Bayshore Gardens Recreation hall due to scheduling difficulties at TE during this season.

No CERT Coalition report. The group meets quarterly.

Dan has not scheduled any HAM licensure classes at this time.

The remaining breakfast dates are 2/19, 3/11 and 4/8. Laura will be gone in April. Karon and Deb will sell tickets on 2/14 from 10 to12. 50 packets were sold for January. A motion passed to purchase 2 more omelet pans, one for the defective pan, and a spare. There will be a breakfast meeting at 2:00pm on the 14th at the beach. Any purchases at Gordon Foods can get a credit for future CERT purchases. The name to give them is **Trailer Estates-CERT**. We will move the ticket table back further in February to relieve congestion at the omelet tables. We will purchase helium balloons to identify locations of ticket table and foods. Make sure you give your volunteer hours to Tom for anything to do with breakfast prep or working at the breakfast. Motion passed for Steve to purchase some tablecloths for the condiment and coffee tables. We need someone to make the sausage gravy in April due to Laura's absence.

Tom purchased 6 new radios but had to return 2 that were defective. He received Amazon credit for the returns.

New Business

Sharon will email Steve L. to see if he can make a CERT presentation at TE Coffee Break on April 20.

We have been asked to donate for TE Christmas Dinner. We cannot donate due to our 501 status.

An election of officers was held. Sitting officers remain the same except for secretary. Karon is our new secretary. First and second Vice Chairs were named. Mary Lou is first and Steve L is second.

Mark brought a radio holder that can be worn on the body. The cost is in the neighborhood of \$150.00 each. We will discuss further at the February meeting.

Sharon will research shirts with a CERT logo for TE. Members could purchase them if desired.

Mark offered a Rape Crisis speaker from Cornerstone to give a brief presentation at a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.