



News Brief January 7, 2013

December 10, 2012 Meeting Report

The December meeting was held at the York County Emergency Management facility in Alfred.

We began with introductions and presentations by Brian Cote and Ann Hemingway. Brian presented information and overview of the Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT). They can provide the support van as well as personnel to assist the Incident commander with logistics and communications. Brian stressed that they support the incident commander, but do not take over the incident.

We then toured the support van as well as the EOC facilities. Some photos below show these facilities.



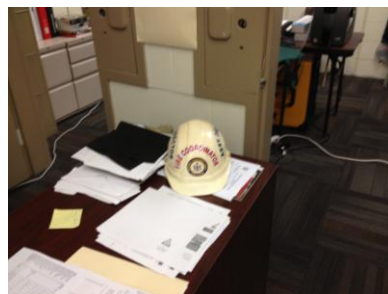
Brian's IMAT presentation.



One Radio Console Position and It's Radios



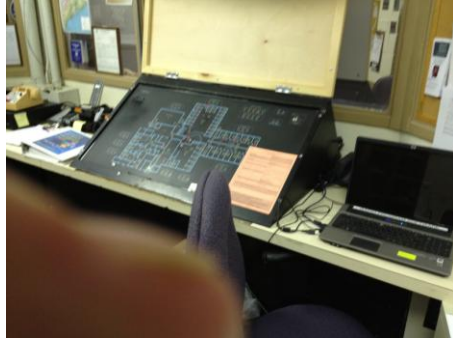
Second Console Position



And OF COURSE paperwork



EOC Situation Room
Brian points out a display



Radios and "door controls" (remember, this was a jail)

It was a great tour of York EMA EOC and capabilities.
Many thanks to Brian and Ann for an informative evening.

Business Meeting Highlights

New member Bob Sherwood was welcomed aboard.

Secretaries report accepted unanimously

Treasurers report accepted unanimously

Wendell Hamilton, SM510, briefed us on the agreement with York County EMA for cross use
of each other's radio systems if the need arises.

Ric reported that narrow banding of our 4 repeaters is complete, ch 11 will remain wide. The internet
connections and linking is also narrow banded.

Meeting Places for 2013 were announced:

March 11 - Pease Fire and Emergency Services (members only due to security)

June 10 - Portland Fire Museum, 157 Spring St, Portland

Sept 9 - Buxton FD Groveville Station, 31 Turkey Lane, Buxton

Dec 9 - Kennebunk FD, Station to be announced

Elections were held. See the web site for Officers for 2013 (few changes)

Remember: "If you know of an active incident, we should ALL know"