

CERT Minutes September 24, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm.

Flag salute

Present: Donna Apgar, Lisa Chammings, David Conklin, Syrene Crowell, Barbara Kimmich, Roland Kimmich, Carol Kouba, Douglas McIntyre, Connie O'Grady, Ilene Schwartz, Vincent Troiano, John Tsadilas, Maureen Tsadilas, Michelle Vosper

The August minutes were accepted.

Old Business

On October 7 Maureen will meet with Stillwater officials to get a basic CERT course approved.

Sussex County Day was a success. Thanks to those who helped at the CERT table--John, Syrene, Connie, and Carol.

On September 18, members of Stillwater CERT participated along with Hopatcong CERT in a rail safety training. They learned, among other things, how trains are powered and how rail cars are ordered for safety. Doug, Connie, Maureen and John attended.

Maureen sent a request to Lisa to hold a CERT Basic course in the Stillwater Community Center. The members in attendance approved spending up to \$50 on snacks for the course participants. If approved, classes will be held on November 10 and 11, no class on the 13th, and November 14, 15, and 16, with the 16th as the day for the final exam and graduation.

Fairview Lake did not work out as a location for search and rescue training. We are still looking for alternatives.

The Stillwater Fall Festival is on October 11. We have enough people to set up, but need more to cover the remainder of the day.

New business

Jen Mitervino, formerly with the Stillwater Recreation Commission, spoke about how she and mayor Lisa Chammings would like to see CERT take over running the public talks presented by the Sheriff's Department and the Prosecutors Office. Typically 10-15 people attend. We would be needed to make coffee and put out snacks and would work with Hillary Manser, Sheriff Strada's assistant, to schedule programs. We would not be needed in December or January or whenever the weather is bad.

Maureen did a presentation on CERT to the Paulinskill Lake Association.

JCPL will again present a Live Wire Training at the Fairgrounds.

Stillwater Cleanup Day is on Saturday, October 4.

The members present tonight voted to spend up to \$850 on first aid and emergency supplies.

Doug checked for prices on CERT jackets. He got a quote of \$100 each from Jersey Shirts and Design for jackets with printing.

There will be a flu clinic in Stillwater on October 14. We can assist with the paperwork. The clinic will run from 5-7pm. We would need to be there at 4:30 to help set up.

There will be an EMS training on September 27 in Highland Lakes. The topic is how to engage with patients after administering Narcan.

We received donations of \$250 from Signature Safety, Willie Corbisiero's employer, and \$100 from Lorennna Da Rocha.

The November CERT meeting will be held on the 19th. There is no meeting in December.

Hydro Flow Fire Protection is donating dinner for the October meeting.

Maureen handed out cookies with the CERT logo that were made by Lorennna Da Rocha.

New member David Conklin showed what he carries in his emergency pack as an EMT.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52.