

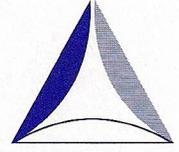
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Report to Mayor and Village Trustees
Dec. 7, 2015

1. Participated in the 17th year of the National Weather Services "Skywarn Recognition" 24 hr communications exercise held Dec. 4-Dec. 5, 2015. Event started at 6:00 PM Friday night and ended at 6 PM Saturday night. A total of 31 National Weather offices were contacted throughout the United States on the amateur radio HF bands covering 75 meters, 40 meters, and 20 meter. Certificates were issued in cooperation with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the American Radio Relay League (ARRL)-the National Association of Amateur Radio operators. I did not operate the full 24 hours.
2. Last Tuesday mornings outdoor warning siren tests indicated a potential issue with RF signal levels to Niebruegge Lane and Old Fatyetteville Road: both model 2001T units. Back up unit recently repaired by Motorola will be set up and current radio RF levels to be measured and adjusted "in -line" by next Tuesday.
3. The CASM will be initiated as part of our Freeburg ESDA EOP as this is now a Homeland Security mandate for all departments to have their communication assets known to all parties in the event of an emergency. Communications Assets Survey and Mapping (CASM) is part of the NextGen CASM that has been redesigned to provide "first responders" more detailed information about public safety & emergency communication assets. The system, database, uses an intuitive map interface and user defined filters. The tool's filters allow a user to see exactly the kind of assets they are seeking and will identify their locations (departments from ESDA-EMT-Public Safety-Police, etc.) on security accessible website. ISP is presently being working on the updates for inclusion as well as Counties.
4. Insurance renewals from our Illinois Emergency Services Management Agency for members are just now being sent out via e-mail. This is the "group" insurance coverage for our ESDA volunteers. Once all collected, I will turn them in with the PO for renewals.
5. The upcoming meet for all of Freeburg's Public Safety departments for the review and updates of our EOP will be at the end of Dec. 2015 or mid Jan. 2016. Reminders for updates for the EOP and then the meeting of all department Chiefs will be sent out to review the changes. This would also include our ESDA divisions of M.O.S.E.S., LTN, Shelter Managers, support volunteer A.R.E.S./R.A.C.E.S. members.
6. The lack of an Illinois State budget has stopped all State Grant opportunities for any expansion of equipment. Federal grants still being monitored for any potential AED units for the Freeburg Swimming Pool.
7. Due to the warmer than normal Dec. , there is a potential for Central Oklahoma , Northern Texas, and NW Arkansas to experience severe thunderstorm development this Friday and Saturday: Dec. 11-12, 2015. Tornadoes will be possible in these areas, but should stay West to WSW of our immediate area.