

STEBEN COUNTY NATURAL GAS TASK FORCE PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMITTEE

Friday, May 13, 2011

9:30 a.m.

*Steuben County Office Building
Legislative Committee Conference Room
Bath, New York*

****MINUTES****

COMMITTEE:	John Tunney, Chair Sal Trentanelli	Joel Ordway	Mike Sprague
STAFF:	Mark Alger	Amy Dlugos	
ABSENT:	Arnold Champlain	David Hopkins	Mike Wilson
OTHERS:	Mike Archer Edward Young	Robert Popejoy	Meghan Thoreau

I. Call to Order

Mr. Tunney called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

II. General Business

Mr. Tunney stated the point of this meeting is to plan out the presentation for the meeting on May 26, 2011. He believes the two main areas that we need to provide information for the meeting are training/educational opportunities that are available for the towns and villages and where we are in developing or recognizing the protocols that need to exist that establish the working relationship between emergency responders and the gas industry.

Mr. Sprague stated that Mr. Wilson and he were able to attend the Pennsylvania Train the Trainer Program, which was administered at Montour Falls to the Instructors for the New York State Government. Mr. Sprague stated that this is the Pennsylvania Course that New York is looking to adopt. Mr. Sprague presented information he gathered from the course to the committee. Mr. Alger suggested that Mr. Sprague put together a presentation that he can take to our local Emergency Responders to help prepare them while we are waiting on New York State to adopt the course.

The committee discussed the presentation strategy for the May 26th meeting. Mr. Tunney stated one key point he believes needs to be made clear is that Steuben County is not advocates for the gas industry, but rather advocates for preparation in case the industry does take off in this area. Discussion continued.

Ms. Thoreau suggested that the committee look at a way for Law Enforcement to track incidents related to the industries so reports can be made and reviewed in the future. Sheriff Ordway stated that they would need to add an industrial field to their current system.

V. Next Meeting

No meeting scheduled at this time.

Mr. Tunney adjourned the meeting at 10:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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