

Emergency Response Group Meeting Tuesday April 14, 2020



Agenda & Notes

Chair: Michael D. Pelletier, CEO
Recorder: Christina Thiessen
Location: Zoom Call, April 14th, 2020
Time: 9:30 a.m.

Agenda Order	Agenda Topics	Person(s) Responsible
1.	Opening Prayer	All
2.	Agenda Overview – request to add additional items	All
3.	Surveillance Activities Update a) Surveillance Tracking System	a) Surveillance Coordinator
4.	Emergency Response and Public Health Measures Activities Update a) Security Checkpoint Update b) Food Distribution Program Update	a) Community Emergency Management Coordinator b) Emergency Preparedness Coordinator
5.	Health Services and Corpse Management Activities Update a) Health Services Update	a) Community Health Nurse
6.	Vaccine & Antivirals Activities Update	
7.	Communications Activities Update: a) Call Centre Update b) Website/Newsletter Update	a) Community Inquiry Coordinator b) Public Information Coordinator

Emergency Response Group:	
1. Peter Collins – Chief	11. Michele Blais – Community Evacuation Coordinator
2. Michael Pelletier Jr – CEO	12. Myra Bannon – Education Authority
3. Derek Johnson – Police Rep.	13. Morris Decorte – Property Maintenance
4. William G. Solomon – Fire Chief Rep.	14. Cheryl Szyja – Emergency Site Manager
5. Michael Pelletier Sr – Public Works Rep.	15. Serena MacLaurin – Community Health Rep.
6. Karen Bannon – Emergency Preparedness Coordinator & Medical Health Authority Rep.	16. Agnes Rissanen – Community Health Nurse
7. Shannon Crews – Social Services Rep.	17. Stephanie MacLaurin – Health and Wellness Worker
8. Serena MacLaurin – Emergency Medical Services Rep.	18. Kristy Boucher – Public Information Coordinator
9. Ian Bannon – Community Emergency Management Coordinator	19. Brice Morriveau – Community Inquiry Coordinator
10. Lori Payne - Finance Rep.	20. Brandy Morris – Surveillance Coordinator

Roll Call: Michael Pelletier Jr., Peter Collins, Christina Thiessen, Luanne Maki, Loretta Collins, Karen Bannon, Derek Johnson (APS), Rob Pelletier (APS), Brandy Morris, Cheryl Szyja, Esther Pervais, Ian Bannon, Jamie Scrimger (Nokiiwin), Lori Payne, Michael Pelletier Sr., Michele Blais, Serena Maclaurin, Stephanie Maclaurin, William Solomon, Shannon Crews, Myra Bannon, Agnes Rissanen, Dan Gelmich, William Solomon, Kristy Boucher

Pre-meeting discussion- concerns with members leaving multiple times a day

Opening Prayer- Luanne Maki

Agenda addition

- Member requests- Providing more information in newsletter updates/ more often
 - Weekly or daily if important/necessary information
- Financial plan- step by step
- Communications- information to the community

Update from Chief Peter Collins

- Met with Mayor of Thunder Bay over the weekend
 - Discussion on blockade on Mountain Rd. making it accessible for those needing to go to work
- Conference call with other Chiefs, pushing the needs to those with disabilities
- Review of possible sites- unsure if there is septic system to see what needs to be cleaned up
- Security Concerns with members going to town- Very unnecessary
 - Can snowball very quickly
 - Strong concern with the number of members going to town
 - Review of sections of Indian Act- things to prevent communicable diseases
 - Discussion to find out what other communities are doing on lockdowns
 - Some are not allowing members back if they leave
 - Will not deny members necessities of life
 - Question about BCR with members and non members- process
- Field hospital- Testing kits for our community
- Resolute- to donate 80 bottles of hand sanitizer
- Donation by Trans Canada Pipeline- donation \$5,000.

3. Surveillance Tracking Update

- Working with Lance from the health unit using postal codes lookup
 - Won't provide details on who infected person is but when its in are
- Once case happens in this area, or close to this area will be let known if there is risk to Fort William

4. Security Checkpoint Update

- Process- those crossing borders are quarantined and checked on
 - Recommendation having members quarantined or removed from community- will have formal recommendation for council to review
 - Discussion- how does it effect members needing to go to work
 - Logistics will be you can leave to go to work or if you are leaving to do wellness checks on others (family members) but will have to have designated place to stay in quarantine. Will not be allowed to freely roam the reserve
 - Wording will be changed to self isolating
 - Will also put in place wellness checks- once quarantine
 - Chat discussion online-
 - if members leaving for essential grocery items, what will happen to them, or those needing medicine, hospital access (treatments and appointments).
 - Statement- opening a store for on reserve necessities
 - Over the next couple days parents will have to go to schools to pick up technology for educational purposes
 - Difficulty when there are multiple members living in the same residence who leave the community for various reasons. Returning to a dwelling with several individuals.
 - Jamie Scrimger working with Brandy to provide definitions of quarantine and self isolation
- Safety of children going to town
- 30 cases in Thunder Bay
- Continue to have Pete give message to community- recommendation to have members stay home, only leave for necessitates
- Recommendation to have security have further screening questions
- Update from director of
 - Continue to remind security staff process/ not having friends visit/ not using vehicle to wave cars through
 - Remind community members why we have the checkpoints- reinstate the intention
 - Need members to cooperate

5. Health services update

- Food delivery to each household
 - Registration is still recommended- helps to gather information for wellness checks
 - Registration will open today- post to community will go out
 - Registration is easier through email, then will take phone calls
 - Will use membership list to track registrations
 - Deliveries to be next week starting Monday
 - Working with Westfort foods for deliveries
 - We do have enough PPE/gowns to provide workers doing sorting/distribution
- Flag system in homes
 - Delivery going out today

- White: Everything is Okay
 - Blue: Need Water
 - Yellow: Sick and/or Self Isolating
 - Red: Infected with COVID-19
 - Green: Need Food
- Will need to set up bag pickup- Kristy will provide contact information
- Update from nurse- recommendation to notify her, name of anyone who is infected. Would also like a contact list to be provided.
- PPE Masks were delivered Friday

7. Communications Activities Update

a) Call Centre Update- Emergency Response Call Center

- Teleco phone system using wifi
- 622-3913 Monday-Friday 9-4pm – Activated emergancyresponse@fwfn.com
- A lot of calls came in- members providing information
- Easier if members email questions first.
- Health concerns- notifying Serena Maclaurin
- Housing concerns- notifying Ian Bannon
- A lot of questions coming in from off reserve members. If/When support will be provided.
- If someone calls for food distribution (if they cannot email), Cheryl will fill out and email to Courtney

b) Website updates

- Newsletter printing
 - Lots of last-minute information- adds difficulty to include in one newsletter
- As information is sent, uploads to website and facebook
- Can add minutes to the COVID information section

c) Community updates

- Better to have one sharing point of information- coming from communications
- Newsletter- going out to community members today at noon
- Request to do more delivery of information
 - Post recruitment for help with flyer deliveries
 - Back ups

d) Emergency Response Memo-

- Highlighting minutes onto one page of updates
- Including COVID-19 stats

Additional Agenda Items:

Financial options-

- Jamie from Nokiiwin- step by step financial planning- will send information to Kristy
- Message from Lori Payne- included information in newsletter

Update from Loretta- FWFN

- Erica from OATC will continue to dispense Methadone and Suboxone for this week @ Dilico RAAM Clinic Site located in the Dilico Family Health Team Clinic at the back of the Dilico building. Erica and Jonah will work out a plan for dispensing for the following week.
- FWFN staff (Loretta) picked up Methadone/Suboxone and meds from Lucero @ Syndicate Pharmacy and delivered them to Dilico RAAM Clinic Site. The pharmacist provided meds that will cover their patients until Apr 26. Pharmacist Jonah Dupuis will be dispensing on behalf of Dr Garber. If council decides to extend lockdown beyond April 26th, we will need to notify the Pharmacy so that Prescriptions can be extended to accommodate.