

Ohio Valley Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC)
June 13, 2012

The June 12, 2012 meeting of the Ohio Valley Long Term Recovery Committee was called to order by Chair Jim Dinkel at 10:00 AM.

Introductions were held, with the following members in attendance:

By conference phone:

Connie Laug-Senator Portman's Office
Thalia Ghighlia-Church of Scientologist's
Mary Woodward- VOAD

At Washington Township:

Jim Dinkel, Lutheran Disaster Response
Beth Nevel, Brown County EMA, Washington Twp. Trustee
Terri Daugherty, Advocate, Tate Township
Bob Weaver, St. Vincent de Paul
Chris Kelsen, American Red Cross
Bev Hurlburt, West Ohio UMC
Linda Carter, Advocate, Village of Moscow
Lois Callahan, St. Vincent de Paul
Tom Callahan, St. Vincent de Paul
Kathy Coulson, Park National Bank
Mickey Hanselman, Advocate, Village of Moscow
Dan Doomis, People Working Cooperatively
Tammy Simendinger, American Red Cross
Jennifer Bieger, United Way of Greater Cincinnati
Dawn Stutz, Tri-State Habitat for Humanity

LTRC Secretary Pam Broughton was absent due to participating in the County Haz Mat Exercise. Beth agreed to take minutes in her absence.

Roy Nelson, Donations Management, was absent due to being in Conference meeting at Lakeside.

June 6, 2012 Meeting Minutes-Pam Broughton:

Chair Jim Dinkel asked if there were corrections to the minutes. None noted. Minutes were approved as presented.

Chair report-Pastor Jim Dinkel:

Jim reported that he attended the Batavia Rotary meeting this week at 7:00 AM. He shared an update of case management and discussed their reimbursement of mattress for the tornado survivors.

Jim explained that the LTRC would extend our assistance to the victims from the May 2012 flash floods in southern Ohio. He forwarded a need from a family in Pike County who lost their auto bridge. They need funding (maybe \$1,000) to complete the wood planking. Beth also reported that she was working with nine (9) families that have various unmet needs, as home owners insurances did not cover this flash flood event of 6.3 inches of rain within an hour in southern Brown County.

Vice Chair-Beth Nevel:

Beth provided a copy of the updated report on the SBA loan applications and the State of Ohio Individual Assistance (SIA) program. She reminded all that SBA was closed May 14th, but that the SIA program will remain open as long as there is a need for applications and follow-up with our survivors.

Treasurer Report-Kathy Coulson:

Kathy reported that the balance on hand was \$27,374.91, no change from last meeting. Kathy reported that she had received two (2) \$25.00 gift cards for Home Depot. Those cards will be forwarded to Bev Hurlburt, Case Manager.

Spiritual Care - Kim Shave:

No report.

Donations Management - Jim Dinkel reported for in Roy Nelson:

Jim reported that he had contact Home Depot and requested 250 five gallon buckets for the cleanup kits. He has not heard back from them as of this date and will follow-up on this request.

There will also be a need for one gallon plastic bags made up for personal care items. Girls Scouts will be assisting with these projects in the near future. Jim also indicated that he had a Scout troop that could help, if needed.

Facebook - Thalia Ghiglia:

Thalia reported that there was not anything new this week. Beth shared that she may use the Facebook Lost and Found feature for items being recovered from the flash flooding in Brown County, but this decision has not yet been reached.

Other Updates

Jim gave an over view of the OVLTRC progress:

15 cases are ready to close

22 cases remain open

- 10 in process of settling with insurance companies

- 3 working with FHL Banks

- 2 working with CHIP

- 1 LTRC building home (Pike County)

- 1 CHIP moving Mobile Home

- 1 Individual Assistance

- 1 looking for permanent housing

- 1 Church working with insurance settlement

- 1 In process of purchasing a foreclosure

- 1 CHIP assisting with clean-up and demo

- 10 cases of major tree removals/LTRC Tree removal letter

Bev reported she now has a list of items needed from the Donations Center, but the survivors are not yet ready to receive the donated foods. Of the nine families, only two have storage capabilities.

Mickey now has a list of projects for volunteers in the Village of Moscow. This work effort is for next Monday – Thursday. The volunteers are from the Catholic Church, are being housed at La Salle in Cincinnati and will bring their own tools and lunch each day. There is a group of 300 volunteers coming to Cincinnati, and 30-40 people (in 4 teams) will be deployed to Moscow. There is no one under the age of 18 in this volunteer effort.

The skilled projects included:

- Build a replacement shelter in Memorial Park

- Complete the roofing on the shelter in River Front Park

- Skilled mason (Ed) to repair the river wall and stone steps along the river walk

Mickey suggested doing something special the last day of their deployment: Suggested deserts.

The offer from Tool Bank Rental was discussed, as this is a church/not for profit work group. Contact number is 513-264-0015 or cat.pepmeyer@toolbank.org.

Tammy S. asked if anyone had heard from the volunteer youth group from the Vineyard Church in Cincinnati. They are also looking for projects to assist with from the disaster. POC: Dennis. Dawn indicated she has been in contact with Dennis, and that the skilled projects in Moscow were not something this youth group could accomplish.

Connie with Senator Portman's office asked if she could join the 1PM Moscow Project meeting by conference phone with Mickey and Linda. Her number is 513-568-5732. Mary Woodward also asked to join that meeting by conference phone. Her number is 740-732-6700. Mickey and or Linda will accommodate their requests from the Moscow Village Hall.

Bev indicated that Judi with Matthew 25 has 20-30 volunteers available to work on projects on July 1st, 2012. Mickey and /or Linda will contact Judi direct to set up a work event for those volunteers.

Jim D. discussed the need for a storm shelter in Moscow, indicating it needs to be for storms but also consider the flood plain. Several ideas were discussed by the committee. More discussion is needed on this concept.

Dawn asked Mary Woodward if there is a "safe room" being incorporated in the home being built by VOAD in Pike County. Mary indicated she would check.

Discussion on storm room/shelter ideas included hardening a closet, safe room interior if no basement and actual storm shelters that are prefabricated.

Jim shared that he has approached the COAD to host a Safety Preparedness Expo in September, which is National Preparedness Month. Moscow Vice Mayor Carter offered to host this Expo.

Mickey has 20 rolls of tape with dispenser donated for the red Barn. Beth offered to transport such on Thursday, when the Barn was open.

A question came up as to the Home Depot involvement in disaster response and recovery effort for donation of shingles, boxes, buckets and shrink wrap. Tammy S. indicated she would make contact with Home Depot thru the leadership group known as Meta Leadership. HD POC is Winfield Brown Jr. 513-688-1654. It was also mentioned that boxes maybe available thru Family Dollar Stores.

Dan indicated that they have 22 contacts thru the Federal Home Loan program. Of these, five (5) have been referred to member banks; two (2) were renters with no assistance provided and one (1) is working to settle insurance claim. Additionally, there are fourteen (14) in process of applications. Six (6) have qualified financially and eight (8) are working on application completion for the forgivable grant.

Jim D. reported that a memo of clarification has been released reference the question of landscaping with the FHLB program. If there are other repair needs funded by the grant, then reasonable landscape of maybe \$1,500.00 is allowed. Mickey asked that the record reflect this is "not what was said" and presented to the OVLTRC by FHLB program representatives. Be it so noted.

Beth stated that the fair market fair of a home can be impacted by the loss of stately trees that framed homes and provided shade for established flower gardens.

With no other business at hand, the meeting was adjourned.