

**Eastford Elementary School**  
**School Safety and Security Committee Minutes**  
**Thursday, October 24, 2024 @ 6:00 PM Virtual**

- I. Call to Order:** 6:01 p.m.  
**Attendance:** Charles Kernan, Carole McCombe, Deb Richards, Terry Cote, Doug Beaudoin, Lori Crocker-Lincoln, Kate Moore
- II. Citizen Participation:**
- a. None
- III. Reunification Annex added to School Safety Plan**
- a. Update on discussion with Fire Chief Doug Beaudoin regarding this Annex
- i. Charlie reviewed possible updates to the plan based on his discussion with Doug Beaudoin.
  - ii. Thoughts about reuniting children with families at the Fire House (EIFC) are not realistic.
  - iii. Practical means of getting students home include:
    1. Some students can be bused home.
    2. Car pick up.
    3. Other families may need a few hours before they can pick up children in an unexpected emergency.
    4. Consensus around needing multiple plans to allow for a variety of potential scenarios.
  - iv. The isolated location of EES and the limited accessibility of nearby community space makes this particularly challenging.
  - v. The Eastford Baptist Church should remain a consideration if students and staff need to be removed from the vicinity of EES.
  - vi. Roads may need to be shut down in some scenarios, further complicating potential plans.
  - vii. Charlie will add the Eastford Baptist Church as a possible location for reunification and speak with Pastor Howard about access.
  - viii. Charlie will modify the map of each location to show EES, Town Office Building, EIFC, and the Eastford Baptist Church.

**IV. Active Shooter Drill**

- a. November 5 at 9:00 a.m. at EES.
  - i. This is a Professional Development day for staff.
- b. State Tactical Team members will conduct training for school staff and town employees. It should take approximately 1.5 hours.
- c. Doug shared that the team comes highly recommended and is utilized around the state in active shooter situations.

**V. Additional Agenda Items:**

- a. None

**VI. Citizen Participation:**

- a. None

**VII. Adjournment: 6:22 p.m.**

Submitted by:

Charles Kernan

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