

REMO Advisory Committee

March 15, 2021



4.1 Universal Signage for Comfort Centres

- Last meeting it was suggested to consider universal signage for comfort centres.
- Dayspring Fire Department has created a sign



4.2 2021-2022 REMO Budget Approvals

- Last meeting the budget was presented and to date, one unit has approved the budget.



5.1 Emergency Management Municipal Evaluation

Background

- Nova Scotia Emergency Management Office (NS EMO) created a voluntary, municipal evaluation self-assessment to evaluate the regional emergency management programs.
- 2012, self-assessment, completed every four years.
- 2016, NS EMO evaluated the municipal units, completed every two-years
- 2020, returned to a voluntary self-assessment, reviewed annually.



5.1 Municipal Evaluation Results

There are three levels of assessment:

- Essential Plan scored 79%
- Enhanced Plan scored 47%
- Comprehensive Plan scored 35%



5.1 Municipal Evaluation Next Steps

To obtain 100% in the Essential Plan:

- Updating the Municipal by-laws to create consistency among the units to reflect the Inter-Municipal Agreement
- After the Town of Lunenburg joined REMO in 2017, the Inter-Municipal Agreement was not sent to the Department of Municipal Affairs therefore their records indicate REMO consists of only four units. Records have been sent, awaiting confirmation.
- The Emergency Management Plan is outdated, needs updating and approval.



5.2 Critical Infrastructure

- Following Hurricane Dorian, Critical Infrastructure was listed in the recommendations to identify the critical infrastructure by unit and prioritize
- Info would be held in the ECC and shared with EMO and NS Power.
- MODL Fire Services Committee asked Council to contact NS Power, Bell and Eastlink concerning past restoration times. Nova Scotia Power met to discuss getting some of the facilities on the priority list.
- REMO was invited as EMC has been working on this and could represent the five municipal units.



5.2 Critical Infrastructure outcome with NSP

- A plan was created to get certain critical infrastructure on the NS Power Critical Customer Communication Program
- In addition to the information compiled, we need NS Power meter numbers so information is accurate and will be fed into their system
- NS Power has offered to connect REMO to a Bell and Eastlink rep
- Bell has contacted the Fire Services Coordinator and REMO have been invited if a meeting occurs
- Eastlink contacted EMC and will connect me with the appropriate individual
- Relationships continue to be fostered

