

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Minutes of 03/12/2009 Meeting

Present: James Malloy, Janet Michaud, Bob Berube, Marty Johnson, Mary Johnson, Ruth Sargent, Maureen Hall, Mike Hall, MaryAnn Higgins, Dallas Burke

Meeting convened at 6:00pm at Fire Station #1.

Guest Speaker – Rolly Means – Hancock Regional Communication Center (RCC).

Mr. Means addressed the Committee about 911 calls:

- When to call 911 – In the case of a medical or fire emergency, life threatening situation, domestic abuse and when time is of the essence.
 - The non-emergency RCC phone number is: 207-667-7575.
 - 911 calls are registered in a data bank with the caller's name, address & phone number (including unlisted numbers).
 - 911 calls from a land line go to the RCC for dispatch.
 - When dialing 911 from a cell phone, the call goes directly to the State Police in Orono. Response is dispatched the same way as a 911 call from a land line.
 - When using a newer cell phone to call 911, the caller's physical location can be instantly pinpointed to within 100 yards.
 - When placing a 911 call, it is helpful, and can save precious time, to give as many details as possible to your location since not all addresses are easily found. Examples: What cars are in the driveway, how many miles from a main road, which end of a long road you are located nearest, etc.
 - Having another person stand outside of the location to flag down emergency vehicles is also helpful.
 - Repeated abuse of 911 in a non-emergent situation can result in a summons by the police.
- The next meeting is scheduled for April 9th at 6pm at the Fire Station #1 (Town Office).