

So I had a great conversation with Frankie Hamrick today.

Basically we need to look at what our intralocal agreement with Rutherford Fire department provides, then we need to create an EOP (Emergency Operations Plan) and see how we can work in the county agencies for this.

It was suggested to me by two individuals that we create an intralocal agreement with Rutherfordton Police, but You know my thoughts there.

I'd be more inclined to sign an agreement with Spindale than Rutherfordton

Basically he apologized for how things were handled but said there had never really been any considerable planning for emergency management with the town of Ruth . I explained that was the reason for my visit, to see what we as a government could do to help plan for the safety of the residents and who, how and when evacuation or emergency responses are conducted.

He basically said he has an emergency shelter agreement set up at the Rutherford Presbyterian Church. My concern is that will not come close to dealing with say a mass event that would hit both Rutherfordton and Ruth.

He suggested we should look at locations in Ruth that would be willing to consider emergency shelter after disasters and then consideration of helping that location plan for an incident eg: generator connections etc.

My thought is this could be why I have not successfully been able to come up with a plan for the half of our building.