

East Central Region Governance Meeting

October 7th, 2011

10:00 am to 11:30 am

Minutes

Location: Map Room – Platte Co. Courthouse (basement), 2610 14th Street, Columbus, NE

Chair: Bob Carey, *Polk County Sheriffs Office*

Co-Chair: Terry Miller, *Saunders County*

Secretary/Treasurer: Tim Hofbauer, *Platte County*

- I. Review of the Open Meeting Law** – Vice President Terry Miller conducted the meeting and pointed out the open meeting law booklet is available for publics review.
- II. Roll Call of Counties Present**

Present: Dodge, Howard, Platte, Butler, Boone, Colfax, Saunders
- III. Approve September's Governance Board Minutes**

Motion: Howard, Second: Colfax, Motion approved.
- IV. Public Health Report**

Laura McDougall reported Four Corners Health Department finished their FSE. Local Health Departments state wide will be re-writing their plans and will ask for concurrence from Emergency Managers. Terry Miller reported that Three Rivers Health Department is housing a Mass Fatality trailer.
- V. Update of Regional Communications Build Out**
 - a. NRIN**

Tim Hofbauer reported equipment is being installed in the Pan Handle. It is unknown when the installation will begin here but indications are sometime in the spring/summer time frame.
 - b. NRIN Governance/technical committee**

Tim Hofbauer reported the NRIN Governance project is ongoing; the Interlocal Agreement is on hold until some questions can be answered especially with sustainability. Tim discussed the Sustainability Summit that is plan which will hopefully provide some of the sustainability answers so the Interlocal can move forward. Discussions with NPPD are ongoing regarding the management and monitoring of the network. Also discussed was the re-organization of NWIN and NCOR and a meeting with the Lt. Governor is planned to continue that process. Bill Pook pointed out a hard core statement needs to be made to local governments regarding the NRIN project and possibly a white paper. Tim reported NCOR is working with Larry Dix from NACO to help educate elected officials and some workshops are being planned. Tony McPhillips pointed out the Public Service Commission should be asked to look at providing sustainability to the network. Tim advised that discussions are taking place and as more PSAP equipment is shared on the network the involvement of PSC funds will be needed.
 - c. Regional 911 Equipment Sharing**

Tim advised e-mails have been sent out to the PSAP contacts and the first payment has been made.
- VI. 2008 HSG**
 - a. Update on-going projects**
 - 1. Generator/Tower remediation**

Nothing to report

2. State Patrol Interoperability

Tim reported he is still waiting on approval from Bob Eastwood on the equipment list.

3. ID system

Tim reported he has the regions ID system setup using the NEMA suggested ID format. The system is a regional asset and available for use. We are still looking at the possibility of partnering with other agencies to use an online system.

VII. Regional Projects

a. Saunders COOP/Debris Management Plan Program

Terry Miller reported that the plans are being written, the holdup was related to his county officials not filling the survey out in time.

b. Frequency Sharing MOU

Rick Schneider reported the Butler County attorney reviewed the MOU and didn't see any problems. It will be distributed to the rest of the region.

c. COAD

Jan Zurcher discussed the work plan for the development of a regional COAD and provided information related to what a COAD is. Tim advised the plan is to hire Jan on a contract basis to develop the COAD. This depends on approval for the use of Citizen Corps funding.

f. Narrow Banding

Tim reported that the transmitter that sets the outdoor sirens off has been narrow banded and the siren system worked on the last test.

VIII. Functional Needs Registry

a. Update on progress

Approval of the funds to hire a contractor is still pending a decision from DHS.

IX. 2010 Work Plan

a. What to do with the balance of funds not used for Data Cards.

Tim advised \$19,745 is left after adding 18 data cards and continue existing subscription funding. Tony McPhillips asked if funds could be used to provide regional IED training. Tim advised existing PET funds could be used to pay instructor and travel expenses. Motion was made to MOU the \$19,745 to the Nebraska State Patrol by Rick Schneider, Second: Bill Pook, Motion Passed.

X. Update on NEMA and NCOR/NWIN Meetings

Pete Peterson is developing training for 911 center directors and fiscal decision makers to educate them on the various communications projects that are underway in the state. Anticipated date for this training is January.

XI. State Updates

a. TEPW

Attending from East Central Region: Platte, Dodge, Howard, and Saunders. Tim advised that each person call to make room reservations under Platte County.

XII. Public Comment

Kate reported they are going to hold off on the webinars. Currently 22 counties have provided their Goal 2 reporting. Funding has been obtained to provide training for crisis counseling for individuals involved in the flooding. Sachin Bagade reported the Center for Preparedness is holding a 2 day training workshop to learn about the issues related to the tornado in Joplin Mo. The date for this training is Nov 15-16 in Omaha. Bill Pook discussed the new spotter

registration and the changes in the law regarding certification. The issues related to this are ongoing.

XIII. Reports

None

XIV. Other

XV. Roll Call of Counties Present

No additional counties attended.

XVI. Upcoming meetings

Governance Meeting- November 4th

TEPW – November 2nd North Platte

NCOR – ?