

Southeast Nebraska Emergency Management Group

Regional Governance Board

MINUTES – Regular Meeting

October 6, 2016

Beatrice Fire Department meeting room in Beatrice, NE

Call to Order

Chairman John McKee called the regular meeting of the Southeast Regional Emergency Management Governance Board to order at 10:07 a.m. on October 6, 2016 at the Beatrice Fire Department meeting room in Beatrice, Nebraska. Chairman McKee noted that the meeting was being held in compliance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act and a copy of the Act was available for inspection in the meeting room.

Board members present were John McKee (Jefferson/Saline Counties), Clint Strayhorn (Johnson/Pawnee Counties), Jim Dunker (Fillmore County), Gary Petersen (Seward/York Counties), Tim Stutzman (Gage County), Bill McPherson (Thayer County), Sandy Weyers (Cass County), Roseann Dobesh-DeGraff (Deputy Cass County), Tim Maloney (Cass), Brian Kirkendall (Richardson County) Emily Scribner (Richardson EMA) Tylene Windle (Richardson EMA), Gregg Goebel (Otoe County), Jim Davidsaver (Lancaster) , Mark Hosking (Deputy Lancaster County), Mark Sullivan (Seward County EMA), and Renee Critser (Nemaha EMA)

Visitors at the meeting were Brian Daake (Beatrice Fire & Rescue), Quinn Lewandowski (Public Policy Center, Chris Lawrence (Four Corners Health Dept), Dave Wieting (Lincoln/Lancaster Health), Kim Buser (Public Health Solutions), Donald Gross (Bureau of Fire Prevention), Sue Krogman (NEMA), Tonya Ngotel (NEMA), Grant Brueggemann (SENHCC /SEDHD) and John Jones (American Red Cross).

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Nemaha, seconded by Gage to approve the September 1, 2016 agenda as presented with no corrections or additions. Voting aye were Johnson/Pawnee, Jefferson/Saline, Seward/York, Lancaster, Richardson, Gage, Thayer, Fillmore, Richardson, Thayer, Otoe and Cass; nays, none; motion carried.

Introduction

McKee welcomed the visitors/guests and introductions were made around the room.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Cass, seconded by Fillmore to approve the September 1, 2016 meeting minutes as presented. Voting aye were; nays, none; Johnson/Pawnee, Jefferson/Saline, Seward/York, Lancaster, Richardson, Gage, Thayer, Fillmore, Richardson, Thayer, Otoe and Cass, motion carried.

Financial Report 2014 & 2015 Grant Funding

Jim Davidsayer & Mark Hosking informed the group that the FY2014 grant is closed out. The FY 2015 is built in GMS. There is a funding request. The MOU between City/County and Region for purchasing at recommendation of the Lancaster County Attorney. Once that is signed, it will be sent to the Executive Board (Secretary) . The FDI payment is being processed for the Debris Management Plans. All 14 plans have met the requirements of NEMA and FEMA through Molly at NEMA.

2016 Work plan

The 2016 Grant has been built in GMS. The 2016 MOU still being worked on. Approval of the line item in the FY 16 work plan to go ahead with the training. Inventory – Biannual inventory forms to be completed and returned to Mark Hosking. Other items are Generators for Richardson, Otoe and Jefferson Counties and

Salamander Equipment. Mark Hosking is following up with Julie Mayer at NEMA for how to account for damaged and out of service equipment.

Discussion of 2016 PET region workshop

Reported by Quinn from Public Policy Center. There should have been a 14 page document sent to all directors in the region. It is reported that the Southeast Region is ahead of the other regions. TEPW is Oct 25 & 26 in Lincoln.

Discussion of 2017 PET region workshop

Need to look at scheduling next year's meeting. Looking potentially Sept. of 2017. The group is to look individually as to what dates may work for them next September or October and bring calendars to the next meeting. Possibly incorporate the monthly governance board meeting into the workshop, It would have to be published as such if done this way. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

Discussion of Advanced Professional Development Series

G557 will be offered in the upstairs conference room today. Jan 19, 2017 will be G191 at Lincoln Lancaster Health Dept. It will be an 8 hour course. There will be an additional course offering in February – see the NEMA website for registrations. Debris Management is coming up soon in Columbus on Oct 18 & 19.

IMT Workshop

The State meeting was held. John McKee was unable to attend. Additional IMT trainings will be posted on the NEMA website.

Discussion of possible regional training by the USAR team (Steve Dolezal)

There was discussion of initially scheduling a regional training / meeting date in Lincoln. A possible 90 minute responder orientation/training and show-and-tell of USAR equipment. Mark Hosking will speak to Steve Dolezal about the teams availability to do so.

Discussion of the approval by NEMA and FEMA of SE Region Debris Management Plan

Be sure all of our plans have been sent to Molly Bergman at NEMA – Jim Davidsayer will be having a meeting with Molly on 10/7 and will e-mail out to the group what still needs to be done with this.

NRIN Update

Sue Krogman – NEMA - Sue handed out several sheets and maps. The 8/31 map indicated they are still working 3 main spots. The SE Region map is Geneva to Pawnee City, American Tower and Working with Motorola and Mike Jeffres and Pam Kemper. Grant money can pay for things above ground only – nothing on ground or below. The next map focus is Beatrice to Crete which should be going live on Monday 10/10 – still Windstream issues. The Cass Map has moved up to priority #3 (Cass loop should go live when NRIN goes Live) with Kearney being #1 and Tim Hoffbauer's Region – Albion watertower being #2. The statewide map is depicting a linear line across the state, still awaiting Kearney to Gibbon watertowers. A huge media release will be given once this is completed. The Lt. Governor has been actively involved with this project. Connection runs West to East across state. The last map in the packet is a diagram of Tim Hoffbauer's diagram of how NRIN and PSAP connectivity works in his region. The next document she handed out was from the OCIO – a customer service agreement to be signed as either a region or individual counties. If this agreement is signed as a Region – it will be monitored on a daily basis (24x7) On page 3 of the document there is a \$100.00 month fee re: software monitoring. Beatrice has already signed their MOU since they are primary on the system. It is suggested to sign as a Region. Most county lawyers won't recognize SE Region as an entity however perhaps the SE 911 Group can sign? The purpose of the agreement is a monitoring agreement to monitor connectivity at sites. Return all signed MOUs to Sue. Sue also discussed that TICPs also need to be made current and kept

up to date. Each County is to keep their own data current and send to Sue K and Troy Harris at NEMA. They must be compatible with the neighboring Counties. Send them an e-mail update anytime something changes. TICPs will be an annual requirement.

Salamander Update

Improvements and upgrades are occurring. Richardson County should be receiving a printer shortly. If a Cache of Cards is used be sure to let Region know who used them and for what reason so it can be determined who will replace them. There was discussion on Set of Apps for Region / Counties. ID was noted as a GAP and must be put into the next workplan. Must show a purchase for area for cheaper cost to get the reduced rates on Apps.

Funding Requests & Claims

There was a request made by Donald Gross for the NE Hazardous Devices Technical Group (NHDTGG). The request is to spend the money allocated to spend as in the work plan for the training annotated in the work plan. Motion was made by Nemaha County and seconded by McPherson County. Roll call vote was conducted with unanimous approval.

Committee/Board Reports – Executive Board

There was no discussion.

Committee/Board Reports – Communications

It was noted by John McKee that Pam Kemper and Mike Jeffres were speaking to the Sheriffs Conference and that 'if they were not taking the free radios they won't be on the system or get federal grant dollars. LEOs were very concerned and brought this back to several EMs. Free radios / end of life soon. Many asked why NSP not using it. A hard sell won't work and will only cause more problems to the SE Radio System. Sue Krogman was checking with Nikki Weber at NEMA about this during the meeting.

Committee/Board Reports – Exercise/Planning/Training

Mark Hosking noted a region wide Salamander Exercise. Perhaps February 1, 2017 with everyone signing into the event under command and joining with others through the system. Prepare cards into battle books. Have a hotwash / AAR at the Regional Meeting. Nemaha County will train Richardson County then have exercises every 6 months. Methods of using Salamander System and trainings will occur at Regional Meetings in the future. October 21 is an active shooter exercise in Fairbury. Renee at Nemaha County is willing to host a NEMA Sponsored Training for Communications / Crisis Communications for Emergency Management

Committee/Board Reports – State Update-NEMA/Public Policy Center

Quinn stated that the regional retreat documents were on the public policy center website for the region. Contact him if you don't have access to them. The NAEM/NACO midyear conference will be in Kearney in December. Spring NAEM conference will have both EMA and ICS Tracts to hopefully encourage more attendance at the conference.

Committee/Board Reports – SE Health Care Coalition Update

Grant Brueggeman asked for collaboration on PET

Committee/Board Reports – Fusion Center Update

No one gave a report.

Board & Public Comment

Shannon McVaney from UNL Emergency Management spoke about how UNL is using Salamander tracking of resource units during football games and encouraged anyone who wanted to learn to come observe/help and they will do this again next year.

John Jones with American Red Cross introduced himself to the group. He represents the 64 Central and Western Counties served by Red Cross and is working to get local volunteers back into the communities.

Set Time, Date, and Location for next meeting

The board scheduled the next meeting for Thursday, November 3, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Gage County EOC.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Cass County and seconded by Fillmore County that the meeting be adjourned at 11:31 a.m. Voting was unanimous and motion carried.