

Southeast Nebraska Emergency Management Group

Regional Governance Board

MINUTES – Regular Meeting

Draft December 7, 2017

Gage County EOC, Beatrice, Nebraska

Call to Order

Chairman J. Renee Critser called the regular meeting of the Southeast Regional Emergency Management Governance Board to order at 10:00 a.m. on December 7, 2017 at the Gage County EOC, Beatrice, NE. Chairman Critser 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 J Renee Critser (Nemaha County), John McKee (Jefferson/Saline Counties), James Davidsaver (Lancaster County), Jim Dunker (Fillmore County), Gregg Goebel (Otoe County), Bill McPherson (Thayer County), Sandy Weyers (Cass County), Amanda Burki (Johnson/Pawnee Counties), Gary Petersen (Seward/York Counties), Brian Kirkendall (Richardson County) and Lisa Wiegand (Gage County). Also present were Mark Hosking (Lancaster County Deputy), Tylene Windle (Richardson County Deputy), Joe Hawkins (Gage County Deputy), Steve Cody (Otoe County Deputy), Aly Gottula (Johnson/Pawnee Counties Deputy) and Jana Gerdes (Recording Secretary).

Visitors at the meeting were Kim Buser (Public Health Solutions), Chris Lawrence (Four Corners Health Department), Carla Jones (Southeast Communications), Teri Roberts (Volunteer Linc), Quinn Lewardowski (University Nebraska Public Policy Center), Brian Daake (Beatrice Fire & Rescue), Ray Ryan (City of Lincoln), Brian Stephen (Red Cross), Ryan Lowry (Nebraska Citizens Corps), Theresa Henning (Region V Systems), Walter Kirkland (NEMA) and Roger Conrad (NEMA).

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Fillmore, seconded by Jefferson/Saline to approve the December 7, 2017 agenda as presented with no corrections or additions. Motion was approved by all present.

Introduction

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

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Fillmore, seconded by Thayer to approve the November 2, 2017 minutes as presented with no corrections or additions. Motion was approved by all present.

Otoe County arrived for the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Financial Report 2016/2017 Grant Funding

James Davidsaver gave a brief update on the 2015 grant year and noted that Otoe County no longer needed the two generators out of the 2015fy and that Thayer County will not need the tower lease money out of the 2015fy due to the system not being up and running yet.

Gage County Director arrived for the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

2017 Work plan update

James Davidsaver gave a brief update on the 2017 work plan and let them know that everything is still moving along and going smoothly.

NRIN Update/Equipment list

No update for this meeting.

Salamander Update

Mark Hosking discussed that him and Renee have been working on getting the right type of vest picked out and then ordered for the board.

Funding Requests & Claims – Richardson County – G358 Evacuation and Re-entry Planning Course

Motion was made by Jefferson/Saline, seconded by Fillmore to approve the funding request for Richardson County, G358 Evacuation and Re-entry Planning Course in the amount of \$1,500.00 out of the FY2015 grant. Voting aye were Johnson/Pawnee, Nemaha, Lancaster, Thayer, Jefferson/Saline, Seward/York, Fillmore, Richardson, Otoe, Cass and Gage; voting nay were none; Cass abstained. Motion passed.

Committee/Board Reports – Executive Board

Jim Davidsaver discussed with the board the difference in the 2015 work plan NRIN build out for the Communications Projects MOU, the possible need for insurance coverage for the SE Region Board, FEMA certification of Debris Management Plan, and the potential MOU for the 2016 work plan Regional Exercise.

Committee/Board Reports – Communications

Cass County informed the board that they are in need of a generator so the board discussed taking the money that was set aside for Jefferson/Saline and Otoe county and using it for Cass County if they can get everything done and ready in time.

The board discussed the upcoming elections of officers for Secretary Elect and Vice Chari Elect and also discussed if the current Subject Matter Experts would stay the same for each department or if not who might fill the positions.

Steve Cody told the board that the Southeast 911 group is working with Windstream to fix the issues that have been effecting local communications.

Johnson/Pawnee County Director, Amanda Burki, asked the board if there was any way that the region be willing to fund the purchase of pagers and radios for some of her local fire and rescue departments. The board discussed the issue in detail and asked Burki to put in the request officially and properly so that a vote can be made.

Committee/Board Reports – Exercise/Planning/Training

Mark Hosking told the board that Lancaster County will be hosting a full scale exercise in September of 2018 using salamander moulage tags and not cards.

Ty Windle told the board about their upcoming G358 course being held February 7 & 8 in Falls City.

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

Roger Conrad is putting on a Fire School May 18th thru 20th.

Committee/Board Reports – SE Health Care Coalition Update

Renee Critser informed the board that December 15th will be Brandon Ruediger's last day with the health department.

Committee/Board Reports – Fusion Center Update

No report for this meeting.

Mike Ripley, Lincoln Police Department – Report of ATAP

Jim Davidsaver gave an update for Mike Ripley on what the ATAP group has been doing.

Presentation/Discussion on completed draft of VRC Plan

Ryan Lowry and Theresa Henning gave an update of the VRC Plan and discussed the updated version with the board.

Debris Management Plans

Walter Kirkland briefly discussed with the board the changes and updates to the Debris Management Plan. The board agreed to put the update of the Debris Management Plan on the January 4, 2017 agenda.

Board & Public Comment

No further discussions at this time.

Set Time, Date, and Location for next meeting

The board scheduled the next meeting for Thursday, January 4, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the Gage County Emergency Management Office, Beatrice, NE.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Cass and seconded by Otoe that the meeting be adjourned at 11:08 a.m. Motion was approved by all present.