

# East Central Region Governance Meeting

June 3rd, 2011

## Minutes

**Location:** Map Room – Platte Co. Courthouse (basement), 2610 14<sup>th</sup> 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**- The open meetings Law was noted for the meeting participants.
- II. **Roll Call of Counties Present**  
Present: Colfax, Dodge, Howard, Platte, Saunders, Polk, Butler, Boone
- III. **Public Health Report** – Laura McDougall reported they are revising their plans to address a target capabilities list that they have been provided. Help from Emergency Managers may be needed.
- IV. **Review of the Minutes of 5/6/11 Meeting and vote to accept**  
Approve: Saunders, Second: Howard - Motion passed
- V. **SES Contractor Ag Exercise** - Eric Hess from SES contracting discussed the contract with the Nebraska Department of Agriculture. It was decided to review the previous and start the planning process. A review/planning meeting will be held after the July Governance meeting.
- VI. **Update of Regional Communications Build Out**
  - a. **NRIN** – CSI is still working in the Panhandle. It is thought the project will be in our area in the fall.
  - b. **Regional Communications**
  - c. **Regional 911 Equipment Sharing** – Bob Carey advised they met with a vendor and to upgrade their system it would cost around \$175,000 per county. Tim Hofbauer advised a quote has been requested from Geo-Comm to look at the costs and tasks involved to create a regional 911 equipment sharing program. After the last months Governance board meeting s meeting was held to determine the interest of a regional equipment share and it sounded like most counties in the region were willing to look into this.
- VII. **Regional Projects Update**
  - a. **Saunders COOP/Debris Management Plan Progress** – Terry Miller advised the COOP process has started and a meeting was held with his county officials and the surveys are expected to be out to his county officials in a week or so.
  - b. **EOC Training/NEMA** – NEMA is committed to helping us but is fully involved in the flood fight along the Missouri and Platte rivers.
  - c. **Frequency Sharing MOU** - Tim Hofbauer had a couple of examples of a regional MOU that could be used. He will discuss this with his County Attorney to develop something that could be used in the region.
- VIII. **Functional Needs Registry**

**b. Discuss governance of registry and move forward**

Laura McDougal advised the Seward Co Attorney is looking at one document, there are brochure ideas floating around. Governance for the registry needs to be determined.

**IX. 2010 Work Plan**

**a. LETPP** - Lenny Hiltner will invite someone from the NIAC/Fusion Center to talk about the center and help us determine if we will MOU the funds to them.

**X. 2008 HSG** - Tim Hofbauer advised that we have around \$111,000 that needs to be spent by June 30<sup>th</sup> (found out that the time is actually July 30<sup>th</sup>). Tim suggested we pay for as much items that were allocated for the 2009 HSG with the 2008 HSG, including the money owed to Dodge County for their 911 consolidation study. Tim also advised that the possibility exists of purchasing a tower. An EHP study would need to be done prior to any purchase. Terry Miller and Bob Carey discussed the possibility of the county that the tower is located in own the tower instead of the region own it. A grant extension from NEMA will be requested and if granted we will have until January 2012 to spend the funds. Tim also discussed the possibility of starting the mutual aid project at the PSAP locations. The last option is to purchase the ID equipment that was proposed from Mid-West Card and ID.

**XI. Update on NEMA and NCOR/NWIN Meetings** - Nebraska is to appoint a statewide interoperable communications coordinator or SWICC and at this time the Lt. Governor has been appointed. NCOR is requesting the SWICC position be appointed to someone else as this is a full time job. The Office of Emergency Communications requires we meet Goal 2 by September of 2011. This goal requires demonstrated interoperable communications between responders of multiple agencies and jurisdictions within one hour of the start of an event or exercise. Kate Speck discussed the webinars on interoperable communications and the schedule for upcoming webinars. Some upcoming webinars will be focusing on sustainability costs again as the NRIN system is built out and those costs are known

**XII. State Updates** - None

**XIII. Public Comment** - None

**XIV. Reports** - None

**XV. Other** - None

**XVI. Roll Call of Counties Present**

**XVII. Upcoming meetings**

**Governance Meeting- July 1<sup>st</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>**

**SCIP Workshop June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Goal 2 reporting Workshop June 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**NCOR – June 24<sup>th</sup>**

