

East Central Region Governance Meeting

December 4, 2014

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

MINUTES

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

Chair: Bob Carey, *Polk County Sheriff's Office*

Co-Chair: Terry Miller, *Saunders County*

Secretary/Treasurer: Tim Hofbauer, *Platte County*

- i. **Review of the Open Meeting Law** – the Open Meetings Law is present at the meeting and available for review. Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM.
- ii. **Roll Call of Counties Present** – Colfax, Platte, Butler, Polk, Dodge, & Howard
 - a. Not Present: Saunders, Boone, Nance & Merrick
- iii. **Approve March, 2014 Governance Board Minutes** - Motion made by Howard and seconded by Butler. Motion carries.
- iv. **Public Health Report**
 - a. Discussed the planning in Nebraska for Ebola.
 - b. It is being reported that the flu vaccine is not covering half of the flu viruses that are going on in the US. December 14th is National Flu Vaccine Day.
 - c. Whooping Cough is going around again this year.
 - d. The CDC is reporting that there are a few cases of TB going around.
- v. **Red Cross Report**
 - a. Susan Epps was not present at the meeting but she provided a handout that outlines some of the changes that Red Cross is making. The handout explains her new area of service and she asked that we remind our fire departments to call the hotline number for all residential fire calls.
- vi. **Regional Incident Support Team**-this item was tabled until there is greater participation
 - a. Review of SOP and Inter-local Agreement (may be moved to after meeting)
- vii. **2014 HSG Update and set work plan meeting.**
 - a. LETPP grant has \$16,000 left to use by the end of January 2015. Bob Shepard handed out a list of items that he would like to see purchased. It was decided to talk to our law enforcement individuals to see what they would need or like.
 - b. SHSGP grant has \$30,000 left to use by the end of January 2015. We have enough projects that we have going on that we will have no problem using this money.
- viii. **Regional Projects**
 - a. **NRIN** –
 - i. **NRIN Install Update** – They are working on connecting Howard County, Saunders County has been completed. We have MOU's for the Chairman to sign.
 - ii. **Tower lease/agreement** – We will have to rent some space from Viaero, but will not send agreement until the equipment is ready to install.
 - iii. **Boone County tower and building** – Boone County is still working on getting a new tower. NEMA is going to help pay for a 3rd of the cost, and the region will help pay for the building. The hope is to help them so that the region does not have to pay Viaero for a lease.

- b. **EC-911**
 - i. **Update on EC-911 telephone install** - Todd reported that the install will start with the 2 host sites (Saunders & Columbus). He is hoping that will happen within the next month and then will move to the other sites from there, Windstream clients will be done first and then they will start on the CenturyLink clients.
 - ii. **Update and consolidated communications center project** – An update on a regional dispatch center. The plan is for each county to still have their own dispatch center but have the capability of combining with other dispatch centers in the future.

- ix. **Regional Planning/Training**
 - a. **Regional Planning/Training in East Central – Subcommittee Report**
 - i. The group invited Chuck Chase from NEMA to come and talk about what the state can bring to our region and the state for training. Chuck said there has been a lot of interest in the FEMA Advanced Professional Series of classes, and he said that is something that NEMA is working on providing. It was discussed that maybe there could be more law enforcement training brought in.
 - b. **Regional/Local Exercises**
 - i. None
 - c. **Regional/Local Training**
 - i. none

- x. **State Update**
 - a. NEMA update - none

- xi. **Public Comment**
 - a. None

- xii. **Upcoming meetings**
 - a. **NACO/NEMA Conference** - December 11, 2014.
 - b. **East Central Governance** - next meeting January 8, 2015
 - c. **Adjourn** – Dodge motions to adjourn the meeting and Howard seconds. Motion carries.