

# East Central Region Governance Meeting

October 17, 2016

1:00pm to 3:00 PM

## Agenda

**Location:** Platte County EOC, Map Room, 2610 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Columbus Nebraska

**Chair:** Bob Carey, Polk County

**Co-Chair:** Terry Miller, Saunders County

**Secretary/Treasurer:** Tim Hofbauer, Platte County

- i. **Review of the Open Meeting Laws** - The meeting was called to Order by Co-Chair Terry Miller at 1:03 PM. Open Meetings Law was present in the room for reference.
- ii. **Roll Call of Counties Present:** Platte, Colfax, Howard, Saunders, Region 44 (Boone, Merrick, Nance) via phone
  - a. Not Present: Butler, Dodge, Polk
  - b. Guests: Patrick Rooney, NEMA; Kate Speck, UN PPC, Chris Peterson, Four Corners Health Department.
- iii. **Approve September Governance Board Meeting Minutes (Action)** Colfax County makes the Motion to approve the September Minutes and Seconded by Howard County. Motion Passes.
- iv. **Special Presentation (if scheduled)** – NEMA's Patrick Rooney reports that planners will be attending the PET Region meetings to interface with the county emergency management personnel.
- v. **Public Health Report** – Chris from Four Corners Health Department attended.
- vi. **Red Cross Report - None**
- vii. **2017 HSG Grant**
  - a. **Project Identification/Discussion** –
    - i. Projects need to be generated at the county level with law enforcement, fire departments. Tim encouraged EM's to begin the discussion to sort out projects for the upcoming year. The need will be based on THIRA and other planning processes. Bullet proof vests and radios are not on the Nebraska approved list as these items will need to benefit the entire Region.
      1. Possible HAZMAT funding for specific projects since this is the last year that the 10 MOU Cities will have separate funding. They will have to come to the PET for funding. Pre-planning for projects and what amount/percentage should go toward these types of projects such as equipment and training. Currently, \$20K per year is being spent, and projects need to be a part of the region process. Tim will connect with Dean to forecast projects.
      2. Prioritization of projects needs to be a part of the region retreat.
- viii. **2015/2016 HSG Grant Progress**
  - a. Tim is working on the project for the virtual server for power management software.
  - b. Terry reports that he has given information on communication to Tracy of the OCIO regarding the battery backup to address storm damage to equipment.
  - c. Tim is exploring information regarding the state base stations for communications.
- ix. **Regional Communications Projects**
  - a. **Mutual Aid Base Stations**
    - i. Nothing new on the base stations; Tim is trying to determine the status of this project. Saunders is already connected and Butler and Polk counties are connected. With the State Radio System there may not be a need to have this equipment installed.
  - b. **Generators**
    - i. **Silver Creek Village Building/Water Tower** – A quote has been received and Tim is waiting on the second quote from an electrician.
    - ii. **David City Water Tower** - No new information.
  - c. **NRIN**
    - i. **NRIN Install update** – Madison County has an installation in progress and they are working on a mapping and structural engineering for Humphrey which has a preliminary approval to begin use. Howard County discussed the need to be connected as they are not yet on the system.
    - ii. **NRIN Governance** – The Governance Board met 2 weeks ago and has established 3 subcommittees to split up the load of work.
      - Finance Committee (working on the price structure)

- Technical
- Policy & Administrative (i. e. Polk County only signing the Inter Local Agreement for 1 year, and this is coming up for renewal).
- The exact costs are still being determined.
- iii. The NRIN board is going to push to finish the project for 2017 IJ funding to get the project finished state wide with up to \$750K needed to complete the process.
- iv. Priorities are first – 911 calls, followed by videos and lastly backup of data.

**d. EC-911**

- i. **Update on EC-911 telephone operation** – Todd continues to work on Text to 911 and the NRIN Technical Committee is working with mission critical partners to use NRIN as the last mile. Hall County has volunteered to pilot the project. Two access points in the state will be installed to decrease the costs. Teletype will also be worked on to have it come to the dispatch centers through NRIN. There is room on the servers to add additional partners. Saunders County is having difficulty with mapping, and a meeting with Call Works has been scheduled.
- ii. **Geo-Comm 911 Mapping** - Some counties are not satisfied with Call Works and are considering returning to Geo-Comm. The map is server based and can be used by all counties and connections can be done through NRIN or separate servers. Counties can choose any mapping provider.

**x. Regional Planning/Training**

- a. **Regional Planning/Training in East Central – Subcommittee Report** – tomorrow G:202 Debris Management course; all preparations are complete with 19 participants.
- b. The training calendar for the TEPW has been worked out which includes a Mass Care and Salamander training. It was suggested that this could include an exercise with accountability training using Rapid Tag.
- c. A training/exercise is planned for the
  - i. Michelle reports that she has researched quotes for iPads for the Region. The extended warrantee and the cover options were discussed for purchasing 10 devices split between the 2015 and 2016 grants. Tim will contact Julie at NEMA will need to determine the billing.
    - 1. Michelle Evert makes the Motion to make the purchase of 7 iPad Air 2 with Wi-Fi and 3 additional iPad Air 2 with Wi-Fi plus cellular (Boone, Nance, and Merrick counties making up the difference for cellular costs); cases and a 2 year extended care through CDWD. Tim Hofbauer Seconds the Motion. Motion Carries.
- d. **Incident Support Team** – Michelle W. reported that they will assess the region training status and move toward an Incident Management Team. Training will be assessed and additional Position Specific training will be scheduled. Michelle E. discussed the planning calendar and the need to have accessibility and coordination. The current calendar can be accessed through the Public Policy Center to input training and access information such as past meeting minutes at: [Homelandplanning.Nebraska.edu](http://Homelandplanning.Nebraska.edu) UN: Eastcentral PW: e7Zk5KBp  
  
Michelle W. suggested sending out an email to assess what training is needed. NEMA has training expertise and can be accessed at no charge.
- e. **Regional/Local Exercises** – Tom reported a smoke alarm distribution and a Rapid Tag training.
- f. **Regional/Local Training** – Tim and Terry will attend the APCO NENA Conference SPR & TEPW will be attended by Michelle W., Michelle E, and Terry.

**xi. Update on NEMA Meetings**

- a. **NEMA Update** – THIRA and SPR & TEPW will be held Oct 25 & 26<sup>th</sup> at the Apothecary in Lincoln.
- b. **NPSCC** – Tim attended the NPSCC last week. The State Radio system is moving ahead and there are free radios – used from State Patrol – that are available. Emergency Managers can also apply for these radios. Application forms for the radios are available online. Integration with IPAWS and the radio system was discussed as well.

**xii. Public Comment**

**xiii. Upcoming meetings**

- a. **East Central Governance – November 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Colfax County Motions to adjourn the meeting and Howard Seconds. Meeting Adjourned.