

East Central Region Governance Meeting

October 16, 2019

1:00pm to 3:00 PM

MINUTES

Location: Platte County EOC, Map Room, 2610 14th Street, Columbus Nebraska

Chair: Terry Miller, *Saunders County*

Co-Chair: Michelle Evert, *Colfax County*

Secretary/Treasurer: Tim Hofbauer, *Platte County*

- i. **Review of the Open Meeting Laws** – The Open Meetings Law was present in the meeting room for reference.
- ii. **Roll Call of Counties Present:** Platte, Colfax, Howard, Polk, Region 44 - Boone, Merrick, Nance; Dodge,
 - a. **Not Present:** Saunders, Butler
- iii. **Approve September Governance Board Meeting Minutes (Action)** – A Motion to approve the September 2018 Minutes was made by Polk and Seconded by Howard; Motion Carried.
- iv. **Public Health Report** - None at this time, as there is a conference going on currently.
- v. **Red Cross Report** - Gina messaged Tim that fire alarms are being installed in Lincoln; Staff are currently deployed for duties for Hurricane Michael. Howard County has several smoke alarms and has been told to find someone to install them. Suggestions that Girl Scouts and high school students be contacted for installation were made.
- vi. **Current HSG Grant Progress**
 - a. **Update and approve grant balances (Action)**
 - i. Tim provided a financial report for the 2016-17 grant expenses (training invoices); 2016 Grant – Communications equipment for NRIN and Platte Valley VPN fees for network remote connections.
 - ii. Tim checked with other regions for financial reports and recommends using a model that was developed by the North Central region that has a running total of the grants and expenses.
 - iii. 2017 Grant - \$2700.00 in uncommitted funds need to be moved to the Committed column.
 - iv. 2018 – There is not a GAN signed yet and there are no expenses attached. The total awarded is \$435,000.00 with \$353,855.00 MOU'ed back to NEMA for NRIN project. There are \$39,400 for NRIN sustainment buildout and sustainment; Citizen Corp - \$17,075; Capability Training \$10,000; Credentialing -\$14,860.
 - v. On the 2016 funds – there is \$65K left for projects – Butler County Generator for 15K - need to activate Scott to move ahead on this project. It is suggested to give Butler until December 31, 2018 to show progress and February 2019 as a deadline for this project; There is \$50K left for the hop in David City to the water tower in Butler County. Boone County may be able to use these funds if they are not used for Butler. A plan going forward needs to be in place to move funds as appropriate. Tim will know more as of January for the additional funds. The Board has recommended that the plan be updated and progress in the Environmental Report be documented for moving ahead of the project.
 - vi. NRIN \$73,400, for the next 2 years for build out and operations. The remaining funds may be used for NRIN Governance Board.
 - vii. Citizen Corps – there is still \$15,000 2017 Citizen Corps. Stop the Bleed Kits are being purchased.
 - viii. Community Resilience has asked if there is such a thing as Medical CERT - Module 4 would be the appropriate module for this training. The Region 44 office has materials and training kits for CERT medical training. The 2018 CERT funds remaining is \$17,000.

MOTION to approve the Grant Balances report: Polk Motions to approve the report and Howard Seconds; Motion Passes.

- vii. **2018 HSG Grant Updates**
 - a. See previous section.

- viii. **Regional Communications Projects**
 - a. **NRIN**
 - i. **NRIN Build Out** – The Build Out is continuing; not yet in East Central. The equipment is still sitting in storage. Howard County dispatch connection is down and the parts have been sent for repairs and are still waiting on repairs and there is a need for a status on video and equipment. Some Regions are going to use Investment Justifications to cover installment expenses.
 - ii. **NRIN Governance update** - Discussion has been active regarding the fees; EC 911 fees are allowable for reimbursement through the Public Service Commission to counties as a communication cost.
 - iii. www.NRIN.info has a video available as well as the fee schedule that can be distributed for information.

- ix. **Regional Planning/Training**
 - a. **Regional Planning/Training in East Central – Subcommittee Report**
 - i. The committee met to go through the target capabilities. Questions to the Board was discussed to finalize the THIRA.
 - b. **TICP Update** – Michelle Evert sent this to Troy at NEMA and his recommendation was that this be posted on the NEMA secure website.
 - c. **Regional/Local Exercises** – Platte has a tabletop in January related to the March Central Community College Active Shooter exercise; Boone County is planning an Active Shooter exercise; Howard has a Nursing Home and facilities Tabletop and will host a full-scale exercise in the future.
 - d. **Regional/Local Training** – Dodge has a 300 class in the coming year; Hall County has planned a 300 class in Grand Island late November; Platte County Police Department has requested an ICS refresher course. A two-day triage course is being held in Platte County in November for hospital staff, fire and police to respond to active shooter situations.

- x. **Update on Meetings**
 - a. **NEMA Update** – Connor has resigned leaving a position open at NEMA; there are two additional positions available. Upcoming Training: There are nine openings in South East PET Search & Rescue - PER233 for Bombing Incidents; ICS 300; PIO Class in Nebraska City is full and another is planned for January 2019 in Norfolk through ROMERS; Pediatric Disaster Response in North Platte; Capstone begins October 17, 2018.
 - b. **Law Enforcement Group** - A group is being formed to advise the LETPP funds. An IJ could be written for the equipment connections in patrol cars to the First Net system.
 - c. **Meeting Updates**

- xi. **Public Comment - None**
- xii. **Upcoming meetings** - THIRA TEPW/SPR - November 1 -2, 2018 at the Graduate Hotel in Lincoln; Threat Assessment training October 18-19, 2018 at Omaha Downtown Embassy Suites.
- xiii. **Action Items for next meeting**
 - a. East Central Governance – November 19, 2018.