

NORTH CENTRAL PLANNING EXERCISE & TRAINING MEETING

May 13, 2016

Region 26 EOC Meeting Room – Taylor, NE

Present: Alma Beland-Region 26, Doug Fox-Region 24, Mark Rempe-Custer County, , Linda Lewis-Region 26, Gary Weaver-Cherry County Emergency Management, Judy Petersen-Central Nebraska Economic Development District (CNEDD), Chelsea Luthy-Central Nebraska Economic Development District, Heidi Hostert-North Central District Health Department and via phone conference; Janell Walther-Public Policy Center, Pete Peterson-Keith County Emergency Management, Heidi Wheeler-Nebraska Plains Healthcare Coalition Coordinator.

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Alma Beland at 1:04pm.
2. There was no quorum to approve February 19, 2016, March 18, 2016 & April 11, 2016 Special Meeting minutes.
3. Introductions were made and welcomed Heidi Hostert who was new to her job and first time attending.
4. Grant Status – 2014 Grant Pete Peterson went over the Excel sheet explaining that money had to be spent by August 30, 2016 or will have to be turned back. Alma brought up that the Loup County board may reject having the generator and if that happens would it be okay with everyone if that money went toward a generator for the new KNLV tower to that would be used for NRIN. Nobody objected but the concern was having time to get the EHP completed. Someone mentioned that Nikki would need to approve this change and then Logan would be able to do a quick turnaround for approval. This KNLV tower will link Doug and Alma's areas. Pete's involvement in this would be to see what the exact cost is and then will see what is left over for other projects.

The next project discussed was the PET livestock training. Discussion was the need to have an Ag related training possibly in Broken Bow, Ord and Region 24. With there being so many hog confinements and large feedlots in the North Central Region this training would be very beneficial. It was brought up that with the new Veterinarian directives the livestock producer would benefit from training along these lines. Since this project will be over \$5,000 the NCR Board will meet on May 19, 2016 at 10:00am to put together a list of ideas they would like implemented in the training a Request for Proposal will be sent out. This will be due back to the board by May 27, 2016. Some of the issues that would need to be addressed in the proposal's cost would be the organizing, conducting, facilitating three locations, invite list, sending invites and agenda, expectations and purpose of training in a detailed manner.

PET Per Diem – Expenses can be paid out of this for NRIN travel and hotel as well as other traveling done for the North Central Region. What can't be used for actual traveling can help cover training costs.

The money planned for Sustaining Interoperable Communication was freed up and was suggested to have it approved by Nikki to use this for Track Apps 05. Heidi Wheeler injected information about the training they are having in Ogallala on the Track Apps on May 24, 2016. This training will focus on admin reports and then a "Show & Tell" of the new Track App.

5. Update on 2016 Grant Work Plans/IF Workshop Outcome – Everyone received the email reference the error that was made in the amount of money that was available. Janell explained that NEMA has a set amount for each region that is assigned to be MOU'ed back to the state. They decided instead of assigning this money they would just keep it up front. Since there will be no MOU's there will be less paperwork which was a great disappointment to Pete!

On June 2nd the Senior Advisory board plus one person from each Region will decide how the money will get divided among the Regions. Some regions have reviewed their projects and have decided to withdraw projects that they felt would not make the cut. The Law Enforcement training project for NCR for \$40,000 will be on the hot seat. The committee will look at the Regions that have successfully spent the funds that have been awarded to them in the years prior to see if we are spending the money as planned out. There is a meeting on Monday that Janell will be attending and she will then forward the information.

6. UNL – Public Policy Center Report –
 - a. Update on registration for the All Hazards Planning Training was reviewed. Doug, Mark and Alma have are will be making another push to possible attendees to get signed up.
 - b. Janell reported that on the 2014 grant that CEU's were offered to Law Enforcement and there is another training coming up in Omaha called "Nebraska Disaster Behavior Conference" which will be at the end of July. Registration is \$75. She will send out information on this training.
7. LEDRS Conference – Livestock Emergent Disease Response System. The meeting date is August 9 & 10 in Grand Island. One of the local veterinarians is Brett Andrews.
8. Code Red Payments – 2015 grant will pay for all of Code Red and will also be the last year. The July 2017 contract will be sustained by individual regions or counties. The weather side cost is \$5,000 and the Alert side is \$3750. Current contracts need to be signed and returned. Some of the issues that need to be resolved with Verizon is the texting portion. Texts are not being received at times 24 hours after they have been sent.

IPAWS with Code Red – Allows Code Red to be integrated with IPAWS, when all parties work together it can be used in EAS, radio, cell phone, message boards on interstate. There is a video website with IPAWS, not much training and no cost with Code Red. This would reach everyone that's not on Code Red, everyone in our area and not everyone in the state or greater than our region. The new communications personnel at NEMA, Troy Harris works with the OCIO hopefully will be proactive in getting out information.

9. Credentialing – Printer locations were discussed, for the SW Region Perkins County Sheriff/EM Jim Brueggeman has the equipment, Doug has his own and Mark is getting his own printer.
10. Central Nebraska Economic Development District – Judy Petersen along with Chelsea Luthy were here to discuss a follow-up workshop to the 101 Workshop that was held in February. After reviewing the evaluation forms it was noted that there needed to be community planning for disasters and how the community can be more ready up front. Our next step is to look into how "We" can assist and provide more detailed training. Some ideas were to have a workshop for City/County Clerks, and another for County Commissioners and City/Village Board members, what is their role and how to plan for that role. Having role specific training would allow CNEDD to show the primary and secondary responsibilities and provide material that would help them know what the role is and how to perform it. For example Debris management falls under the emergency manager but the City/Village can have their own plan that they can share with EM's so it can be added to their plan in the LEOP.

EOC in a box was discussed and more research will be done to see about obtaining one for those that do not have one.

11. Other – the meeting for July needed to be changed to June 24, 2016.
12. Meeting adjourned at 3:04PM. Next regular meeting is June 24, 2016, 1:00pm at Region 26.

Submitted by
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Recorder