

NORTH CENTRAL PLANNING EXERCISE & TRAINING MEETING

Friday, March 10, 2017

Region 26 EOC Meeting Room – Taylor, NE

Present: *Alma Beland-Region 26 Emergency Management, *Doug Fox-Region 24 Emergency Management, *Mark Rempe-Custer County Emergency Management, Ashley Jeffres-Loup Basin Public Health Department, Quinn Lewandowski-Public Policy Center, James Rashilla-Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, Heidi Hostert-North Central District Health Department, Sgt. Bob Rose-Nebraska State Patrol, *Linda Lewis-Region 26 Emergency Management.

Via Zoom *Laurie Hood – Keith County Emergency Management, Sally Brecks-West Central District Public Health, Angela Brown-West Central District Public Health.

*Depicts Voting Members

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Doug Fox at 10:09am. The “Open Meetings Act” was brought to everyone’s attention.
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes: The approval of the minutes had to be waived due to a lack of quorum. (Laura Hood joined by ZOOM which made a quorum.) Mark Rempe moved, seconded by Alma Beland to approve the January 13, 2017 meeting Minutes. All aye, motion approved.
3. Old Business
 - a. Grant Status Review
 1. Maintenance on Equipment – Grant money will not be used for repairs. The owner of the equipment will need to handle the costs. For now, only NRIN repairs will be covered by grant funds.

2015 Grant sheet was reviewed. There is \$5,582.15 left over for emergency situations like tower repairs. There is \$8,861.64 uncommitted funds which possibly some of this may be used to buy key cards and holders.

2016 Grant – CERT Training and equipment and dates need to be set up. Sherman and Keith Counties are ready to determine dates and get started. Doug wants to do Spring-Summer training. He is looking into a refresher course for those that were already CERT Trained. Alma asked Doug and Laurie if she could use some of these grant funds for Region 26 CERT Training. They agreed to allow her to use it.

Alma also received the approval from the rest of the board to use \$2,000 of Ag Training for the Region 26 Weather Symposium.

Doug is planning an All Hazards/Fire exercise in Cherry County with South Dakota in May.

CoderED will be paid for by each entity so billing needs to be separated.
 - b. IJ Review – Quinn reported that the Project Proposals were emailed out to the Subject Matter Experts (SME’s) and the online survey tool had a deadline to be returned. After the online rating tool is completed they will convene as a group and rate the projects with either a High-Medium-Low Priority or No funding. The reasons will be discussed on how they are rated. Some of the SME meeting will be through ZOOM and others will meet in person. The SME recommendations will be due by the end of March and the IJ workshop will be April 13th in Lincoln.

James with NEMA reported that grants will not be paying for supplies and consumables such as supplies for printers, training and subscriptions. (For printer ribbons see Dustin Johnson with Platte Valley Kearney or Computers Plus in Broken Bow for better prices.) He also encouraged the board to split the projects out as much as possible since they will be all or nothing like last year.

- c. Orion – Assessment Tool – Jim Erickson put together a quote for the North Central Region. This would not be paid for by Grant money except for EMPG. Alma will forward the information received to everyone and look it over and come up with a decision.
- d. CodeRED Billing – covered in Grant discussion.
- e. Other Old business – Keith County will start doing interviews on March 29th.

4. New Business

- a. Review By-Laws –Article III just needs to be typed with the changes that were approved in 2008.

Mark Rempe moved, seconded by Laurie Hood to add Section 5 to Article VI, to read: “The Region 26 office located in Taylor, Nebraska is designated as the primary place of business for the North Central Regional Governance Board. The NE online public meeting calendar located at www.nebraska.gov/calendar as legal place of posting for meeting agendas for the North Central Regional Governance Board. All voted aye.

Chairman Doug Fox suspended the meeting for lunch at 12:16pm.

Chairman Doug Fox reconvened the meeting at 1:31pm.

- b. Voting member appointment sheets – Laurie Hood reported that she has received signed sheets from every county with the exception of McPherson County.
- c. HAM Radio Operators – nothing to report
- d. NAEM Conference Update – Doug reported that the three day conference is full of great opportunities of learning with breakout sessions covering a lot of different topics.
- e. Review of TICP – It was noted that there is information that needs to be added and things changed from Region 26 to Region 24. Changes will be made as submitted.

5. Other

- a. John Jones with Red Cross has resigned from his position. He also reminded us that shelters need to be updated with contact information. He mentioned Everyday Hero’s Bootcamp and there were funds available for projects; therefore, applications need to be submitted if you are interested in this opportunity. Discussing shelters it was mentioned that CERT can be a Shelter Strike Team using Red Cross guide lines.

Heidi Hostert brought to our attention the “Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) conference March 15 or April 12th”.

Heidi and Ashley both attended ICS 300 and ICS 400 and wanted everyone to know that they are a resource that can be called upon to help in a disaster.

- 6. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 2:51pm. Next Regular meeting will be May 12, 2017 at 10am at Region 26.

Submitted by
Linda Lewis
Secretary

Board Chairman

Date