NORTHEAST NEBRASKA REGIONAL MEETING Norfolk City Council Meeting Room, Norfolk, Nebraska February 2, 2012

The February 2012 Northeast Nebraska Regional meeting was called to order by Chairman Kevin Garvin at 9:30 a.m. Minutes of the previous meeting had been e-mailed to members prior to this meeting. Legal notice of the meeting was posted in the various counties. The open meeting laws were made available. Roll call showed that Faythe Petersen was present for Antelope County; Bill Pook was present for Burt County; Kevin Garvin was present for Cedar County; Bernie Hunke was present for Cuming County; Pat Foust was present for Dakota County; Lynn Eifert was present for Dixon County; Laura Hintz was present for Knox County; Faythe Petersen was present for Madison and Pierce Counties; Sanford Goshorn was present for Stanton County; Thurston County was absent; and Nic Kemnitz was present for Wayne County. Also present were Deanna Beckman, Leroy Janssen, Ginger Bailey, Concey Ramold, Ryan Parks, Scott Cordes, Larry Bockelman and Mark DeKraai. A quorum was present for the meeting.

Chairman Garvin called for a motion to accept the minutes as mailed out. Sanford Goshorn made a motion to approve the minutes. Faythe Petersen seconded the motion. RCV Faythe Petersen for Antelope County-YES; Bill Pook for Burt County-YES; Kevin Garvin for Cedar County-YES; Bernie Hunke for Cuming County-YES; Pat Foust for Dakota County-YES; Lynn Eifert for Dixon County-YES; Laura Hintz for Knox County-YES; Faythe Petersen for Madison and Pierce Counties-YES; Sanford Goshorn for Stanton County-YES; Thurston County-absent; Nic Kemnitz for Wayne County-YES. Motion carried.

Tom Perez for Thurston County arrived at 9:32.

The Chairman advised the Financial Report as e-mailed out covered 2 active grants. There have been no changes since they were sent out. The robots should arrive sometime in March. Sanford Goshorn made a motion to approve the financial report as mailed out. Tom Perez seconded the motion. RCV Faythe Petersen for Antelope County-YES; Bill Pook for Burt County-YES; Kevin Garvin for Cedar County-YES; Bernie Hunke for Cuming County-YES; Pat Foust for Dakota County-YES; Lynn Eifert for Dixon County-YES; Laura Hintz for Knox County-YES; Faythe Petersen for Madison and Pierce Counties-YES; Sanford Goshorn for Stanton County-YES; Tom Perez for Thurston County-YES; Nic Kemnitz for Wayne County-YES. Motion carried.

Ryan Parks from the North Central District Health Department gave an update on the idbadging and credentialing he has been working on with the health departments and NEMA. NCDHD has purchased the web services of Midwest Card. The state's health departments will be the main contacts and will set up passwords and user ID numbers for their EMs. He suggests we give user IDs and passwords to our fire chiefs, etc so they can take the pictures and enter all the credentials and other information into the systems. That will put the responsibility of getting this done on the first responder departments and not the EMs and Health Department. The Health Departments or the EMs if they have compatible printers can then print off the cards. The costs for printing the cards have not been decided but there is no cost for using the server. He is waiting on NEMA to work out an MOU with NCDHD and they want one person from each region to be on a board with Roger Weise, Al Berndt and Dave Reisen. Each region will get a day of training. The scanner software is around \$1400 and the scanner and card reader is around \$700. There can be 100 people on the server at one time.

One bid was received from Blue Cell for training and exercises and was opened at 10:12 a.m. The bid was for

Advanced Planning Concepts and

G-402 for Senior and Elected Officials
Resource Unit Leader \$3500
Situation Unit Leader \$3500
Search and Rescue \$20,000

After some discussion it was decided to take a 10 minute break so members could read over the bid.

Our FY09 Grant has \$33,800 for exercises and training. We can use leftover exercise money for overtime for exercises and food for classes. It was determined we would need \$5000 for food, \$1600-\$1700 for paid responder overtime and \$2500 for overtime and payment for evaluators with the balance of the money going for the SNS exercise. Bill Pook made a motion to reject the bid and negotiate to take out the search and rescue, confirm the dates and if have to, do a conference call to concur. Sanford Goshorn seconded the motion. RCV Faythe Petersen for Antelope County-YES; Bill Pook for Burt County-YES; Kevin Garvin for Cedar County-YES; Bernie Hunke for Cuming County-YES; Pat Foust for Dakota County-YES; Lynn Eifert for Dixon County-YES; Laura Hintz for Knox County-YES; Faythe Petersen for Madison and Pierce Counties-YES; Sanford Goshorn for Stanton County-YES; Tom Perez for Thurston County-YES; Nic Kemnitz for Wayne County-YES. Motion carried. The dates will be discussed on the conference call.

Ginger Bailey talked about the SNS exercise that will be held April 30th through May 2nd. She also handed out forms for requesting supplies so the EMs would be familiar with them when the time came to use them during the exercise. All have to be involved in this exercise. Law Enforcement will have to come to Norfolk to take things back to the subhubs.

Pat Foust sent out his NCOR report by e-mail. We need to identify the best towers in our area and if we have to pay tower rent it would be best we negotiated the price instead of CSI.

In the FY09 grant we have \$58,071 allocated for equipment. Chairman Garvin brought up perhaps purchasing digital consolettes to be a guest user on the system NSP uses. Do we want to explore this? Mike Jeffres says that everyone that wants on has to have

training and do a monthly test. The State bid is \$7325 for all the radio equipment and \$1600 for installation. Others that have tried it say it works well.

Bill Pook also asked about considering a system similar to the tele-health conferencing that could be used in the EOCs to connect everyone in the region. He will send out information on the cost, etc to the region.

Chairman Garvin will ask Mike Jeffres to come to the next meeting.

Radio shops evidently don't know they have to put mutual aid channels in radios. We need to make sure our shops know this. Chairman Garvin will send out this information. Training on use hasn't been discussed at NCOR so it is probably up to the regions to take care of that. Once the responders have been trained can go ahead and use them. It hasn't been installed in dispatch yet. We have to have EHP permission to order the 8 base stations we have going in across the region. We will move forward on this to start the ordering process.

NEMA has templates for MOUs for Paraclette frequencies, access, etc. We need to get them out and move forward on this.

Upcoming meetings and trainings:

Mch 24, 2012 Dakota County Haz Mat full scale exercise

NAEM April 11-13. There will be some optional sessions starting at 1 p.m. on the 11th and the general business meeting will be at 4 p.m. on the 11th. Aaron Davis will be the main speaker.

NEXT MEETING: March 7, 2012 at the West Point Fire Station starting at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Laura J. Hintz, Secretary