

NORTHEAST NEBRASKA REGIONAL MEETING  
Wayne Fire Hall, Wayne, NE  
March 7, 2013

The Northeast Nebraska Regional meeting was called to order by Chairman Kevin Garvin. 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 Antelope County was absent; Bill Pook was present for Burt County; Kevin Garvin was present for Cedar County; Bernie Hunke was present Cuming County; Pat Foust was present for Dakota County; Shea Scollard was present for Dixon County; Laura Hintz was present for Knox County; Madison and Pierce Counties were absent; Sanford Goshorn was present for Stanton County; Thurston County was absent; and Nic Kemnitz was present for Wayne County. Also present were Lynn Eifert, John Bomar, Ginger Bailey, Kim Schultz, Jessica Feldmann, Deanna Beckman, Matthew May and Mark DeKraai. A quorum was present for the meeting.

Chairman Garvin called for a motion to accept the minutes as mailed out and waive the reading of the minutes. Sanford Goshorn made a motion to approve the minutes as mailed out and waive the reading of the minutes. Bernie Hunke seconded the motion. Voice vote, Ayes-all; Nays-none.

Chairman Garvin advised there were no changes to the Financial Report since the last meeting. We received one bill for the ID maintenance and it was questioned if it could be covered by our grant.

Tom Perez and Matthew May arrived at 9:03.

In regards to the NPSCC meeting, the last one was snowed out and it is unknown when the next one will be scheduled. Those attending need to have a written report and also give an oral report.

In regards to the Fusion Center Liaison Officer, each region needs one law enforcement officer. Cedar County Sheriff Larry Koranda has nominated Deputy Chad Clausen. Deputy Clausen has been in Cedar County for 5 years. Chairman Garvin stated that the Sheriff's Office would cover his travel, lodging and other expenses. Sanford Goshorn made a motion to appoint Deputy Clausen as the Fusion Center Liaison Officer for the Northeast PET Region to serve at the pleasure of the region, with training expenses paid by the Fusion Center and all other expenses covered by the Cedar County Sheriff's Office. Bernie Hunke seconded the motion. RCV Antelope County absent and not voting; Bill Pook for Burt County-YES; Kevin Garvin for Cedar County-YES; Bernie Hunke for Cuming County-YES; Deanna Beckman for Dakota County -YES; Shea Scollard for Dixon County-YES; Laura Hintz for Knox County-YES; Madison and Pierce Counties absent and not voting; Sanford Goshorn for Stanton County-Yes; Tom Perez for Thurston County-YES; Nic Kemnitz for Wayne County-YES. Motion carried

Laura Hintz reported the region would be hosting presenters from the University of Hawaii on Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery training on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Wayne Fire Hall. An invitation needs to be extended to schools, government and businesses, anyone that needs to get information out to a large number of people in a disaster situation. We will need to set up business Facebook and Twitter accounts before the class.

In regards to the Ag Emergency exercises, 2 proposals were received from 2 companies. The Blue Cell (who wrote our Ag plan) proposed workshops in 3 locations for the amount of \$19,500; SCS proposed a workshop in 1 location for the amount of \$19,782. This needs to be done by Jan. 2014. Pat Foust made a motion to go with the proposal from The Blue Cell in the amount of \$19,500 for workshops in 3 locations within the region. Seconded by Tom Perez. RCV Antelope County absent and not voting; Bill Pook for Burt County-YES; Kevin Garvin for Cedar County-YES; Bernie Hunke for Cuming County-YES; Deanna Beckman for Dakota County -YES; Shea Scollard for Dixon County-YES; Laura Hintz for Knox County-YES; Madison and Pierce Counties absent and not voting; Sanford Goshorn for Stanton County-Yes; Tom Perez for Thurston County-YES; Nic Kemnitz for Wayne County-ABSTAIN. Motion carried. Locations were discussed with Cuming, Dixon and Wayne Counties hosting the workshops. Shea Scollard for Dixon County advised that he did not feel anyone would attend from Dixon County and advised Dixon County would not host one of the workshops. Cedar County advised is no one else wanted to host it he could probably have something regarding a stop movement order on Highway 81 and the bridge between Nebraska and South Dakota. Bernie Hunke will coordinate with Todd Manns on the exercises.

Last month the region asked if Chris Kleinberg and Nic Kemnitz would talk to see if they could take the position of regional Representative on the Governance Group for NRIN. Chris Kleinberg has since declined the position. John Bomar from Madison County who has experience in government and fire and rescue has volunteered to serve with Nic Kemnitz as assistance. Pat Foust made a motion to have John Bomar serve as regional representative with Nic Kemnitz as assistant. Seconded by Sanford Goshorn RCV Antelope County absent and not voting; Bill Pook for Burt County-YES; Kevin Garvin for Cedar County-YES; Bernie Hunke for Cuming County-YES; Deanna Beckman for Dakota County -YES; Shea Scollard for Dixon County-YES; Laura Hintz for Knox County-YES; Madison and Pierce Counties absent and not voting; Sanford Goshorn for Stanton County-Yes; Tom Perez for Thurston County-YES; Nic Kemnitz for Wayne County-YES. Motion carried

Since Matthew May resigned from the NPSCC there is a vacancy to be filled. Both Tom Perez and Kevin Garvin have volunteered to fill that vacancy. It was stated that according to the State the Northeast Region for Communications cover the same area as the PET region but are two separate groups. Ballots were handed out to the voting members of the region. Mark DeKraai took charge of counting the ballots.

NRIN Report by county: Dakota County—Sue Krogman addressed the county board and it went OK. Pat Foust will have Sue talk to the South Sioux City board. CSI took more pictures of towers.

Burt County—Matthew May and Sue Krogman met with the County Board and Sheriff. They were receptive and a lot of questions were asked. The map has changed without the information going out to anyone. It is possible the only connection Burt County will have is with Blair.

Thurston County—Things are going well.

Wayne County—haven't heard from CSI

Matthew May—hasn't been getting updates from CSI as promised

Dixon County—County Board on board with what needs to be done.

Cedar County—CSI came to look at towers. Bob Wilhelm is working on EHP as they want to hang a dish on the courthouse bell tower.

Knox County—haven't heard from CSI

At the last meeting the region approved the Norfolk storage location. That item was cancelled by NEMA. The SE Region offered their storage space for our use along with the Central and North Central regions. It appears like this is our only option with rent being \$283 a month. Bill Pook made a motion to rescind the motion regarding the Norfolk Storage approved by the region last month. Pat Foust seconded the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote.

Questions were asked about the cost of the rent and insurance coverage.

The group took a break at 09:55 and reconvened at 10:15

Chairman Garvin stated that if insurance is obtained thru NIRMA it will be \$208.30 per county per year. If it is thru a Lincoln agency it will be \$153.00 per county per year. Sue Krogman has reminded Doug Ahlberg she needs a copy of the policy which he hasn't gotten yet. Pat Foust made a motion to use the store space in Lincoln at the rate of \$283.00 per month and that we should have the insurance information by next meeting. Bill Pook seconded the motion. RCV Antelope County absent and not voting; Bill Pook for Burt County-YES; Kevin Garvin for Cedar County-YES; Bernie Hunke for Cuming County-YES; Deanna Beckman for Dakota County -YES; Shea Scollard for Dixon County-YES; Laura Hintz for Knox County-YES; Madison and Pierce Counties absent and not voting; Sanford Goshorn for Stanton County-Yes; Tom Perez for Thurston County-YES; Nic Kemnitz for Wayne County-YES. Motion carried

Mark DeKraai reported Kevin Garvin received the majority of the votes as NPSCC representative.

Dakota County requested overtime reimbursement for 17 officers @ \$30.00 per hour for 5 hours in the amount of \$2550. This will be for her exercise in August or September. We have the money in the grant to cover this request. Bill Pook made a motion to approve the overtime, seconded by Bernie Hunke. RCV Antelope County absent and not voting; Bill Pook for Burt County-YES; Kevin Garvin for Cedar County-YES; Bernie Hunke for Cuming County-YES; Deanna Beckman for Dakota County -YES; Shea

Scollard for Dixon County-YES; Laura Hintz for Knox County-YES; Madison and Pierce Counties absent and not voting; Sanford Goshorn for Stanton County-Yes; Tom Perez for Thurston County-YES; Nic Kemnitz for Wayne County-YES. Motion carried

Kim Schultz reported the Goal 3 exercise went well. They are also building a Community Health Plan.

Dakota County is working on a Mass Fatality Plan that will benefit the whole region. The next meeting will include funeral directors for their input. It will be around 5 weeks down the road.

Mark DeKraai advised that the new Lt. Gov. will be the NRIN chair.

Mutual Aid Channels were discussed. Discussion was also held on a fire department whose area is in another county, ordering resources without running the request through the other county's EM.

NE NACO spring workshop Norfolk Mch. 15<sup>th</sup>. Brendon from Midwest Cards will be there to re-program ID software on laptops. Multi Regional meeting at 1:00 at Norfolk Fire

Pre-Exercise Workshop Senior Center in Creighton starting at 8:00 March 16th

Burt County is holding a multi hazard school safety class on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

Land Based Search and Rescue April 20<sup>th</sup> in Center and Neligh

Meeting adjourned.

**NEXT MEETING: April 4<sup>th</sup> in West Point starting at 9:30 a.m. with location TBD.**

Respectfully submitted

Laura J. Hintz, Secretary