

NORTHEAST NEBRASKA REGIONAL MEETING  
LEC South Sioux City, NE  
April 21, 2016

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 Trent Howard was present for Antelope County; Bill Pook was absent for Burt County; Kevin Garvin was present for Cedar County; Bernie Hunke was absent for Cuming County; Deanna Beckman was present for Dakota County; Shea Scollard was present for Dixon County; Laura Hintz was present for Knox County; Trent Howard was present for Madison and Pierce Counties; Sanford Goshorn was absent for Stanton County; Chad Fuller was present for Thurston County; and Nic Kemnitz was present for Wayne County. A quorum was present for the meeting.

Deanna Beckman made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes and accept them seconded by Nic Kemnitz. RCV : Trent Howard, Antelope County-yes; Burt County-absent; Kevin Garvin, Cedar County-yes; Cuming County-absent; Deanna Beckman, Dakota County-yes; Shea Scollard, Dixon County-yes; Laura Hintz, Knox County-yes; Trent Howard, Madison and Pierce Counties-yes; Stanton County-absent; Chad Fuller, Thurston County-yes and Nic Kemnitz, Wayne County-yes. Motion carried.

Financial Report: No change in financial report. On the copy sent out disregard items shown as cancelled as they were just entered wrong in GMS and have been corrected.

Committee Reports: NRIN-Governance Board will meet May 19 in Grand Island with the new elected representatives and the others already on the board.

Tom Perez arrived at 9:08

NPSCC. Kevin Garvin advised they are reviewing the communication projects in the IJ process. There are updates in Lincoln and Omaha regarding the SRS. He stated that the State Patrol may be getting new radios and selling the old ones off thru Motorola. The Northeast PET Region ranked high in the communication projects however NRIN will probably take most of the funding available. Nic Kemnitz reported on NRIN stating that there hasn't been any activity since our last meeting and an orientation for the NRIN governance board with the NRIN subcommittee was slated for May 19<sup>th</sup> which is also the date of our next regional meeting.

Mark DeKraai arrived at 9:11

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Regional Interoperability Coordinator (RIC) after much discussion Chad Fuller and Nic Kemnitz will be on that committee. Chad Fuller will be the primary point of contact to NEMA for that committee with Nic Kemnitz serving as backup.
2. NRIN Storage needs-requirements have changed again. 30'x40' storage unit will work. Tom Perez made a motion to have Kevin Garvin negotiate with Sue Krogman for unit approval, seconded by Trent Howard. Voice vote-Passed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. On the question of converting our Mobile Express Maintenance agreement into command or track apps Shea Scollard made a motion to change to Track Apps which will be 25 track apps for the region to expire 6/30/17, seconded by Tom Perez. RCV : Trent Howard, Antelope County-yes; Burt County-absent; Kevin Garvin, Cedar County-yes; Cuming County-absent; Deanna Beckman, Dakota County-yes; Shea Scollard, Dixon County-yes; Laura Hintz, Knox County-yes; Trent Howard, Madison and Pierce Counties-yes; Stanton County-absent; Tom Perez Thurston County-yes and Nic Kemnitz, Wayne County-yes. Motion carried. In order to get Command at the \$500 price we must have 5 track apps in the region. It was decided to have 2 track apps per county within the region. With no funding available to purchase devices to locate the track app on, it was decided that each recipient would be on their own to purchase at least one device. One Tract app of the 25 is to be dedicated to the Norfolk Fire Hazmat Team. If a County doesn't want the application, it is to be returned to the region for reallocation by the region at that time.
2. In our FY16 project we have a request for 10 iPods at \$300 w/protective case, (iPad or iPod work best) will be an Apple product with case and charger.
3. We need to keep proficient on our equipment. A Regional Policy for use and training will be developed.
4. Regarding supplies, before any are purchased with available grant funds members need to do an inventory on what they have and get that information to Kevin Garvin before May 1<sup>st</sup>.
5. Training needs to be done. FY15-update plans. Thurston County is hosting ICS 300 & 400 which they have paid for themselves. Dakota County is looking to also have ICS 300 & 400. Some classes requested are NIMS position specific, Division and Group Supervisors, Safety Officer, APC 393, 318 or 202, exercise with Salamander and the railroad. (We have either hosted or have had in the area 191, 557, 270.4, 288 and 358) Dakota County will host Finance class, Thurston will have a Safety Officer class and Knox County will have 318 class.
6. FY14 we have on our calendar G402 & G191 EOC Interface, Regional exercise with Norfolk HazMat & 72<sup>nd</sup> CST. Trent Howard will do some research to see if they want to do it. Further action postponed till next meeting.
7. The work plan included purchasing a Mobile Express for Dixon County. It will be re-written to make it a Command unit. The plan has us purchasing 5 Command units which will be put in the counties with mobile express as Mobile Express has been discontinued by Salamander. Dakota County wants theirs to go to Region 11. Nic Kemnitz and Kevin Garvin will spec computers and purchase them. Training on them will be June 21 at Wayne from 8:30 to 4:30.

Deanna Beckman made a motion to approve items 2-7 seconded by Tom Perez. RCV : Trent Howard, Antelope County-yes; Burt County-absent; Kevin Garvin, Cedar County-yes; Cuming County-absent; Deanna Beckman, Dakota County-yes; Shea Scollard, Dixon County-yes; Laura Hintz, Knox County-yes; Trent Howard, Madison and Pierce Counties-yes; Stanton County-absent; Tom Perez, Thurston County-yes and Nic Kemnitz, Wayne County-yes. Motion carried.

8. In order to get a head start on the THIRA process, Regional THIRAs will be held in Dakota County, Thurston County, Cedar County and Region 11 in September with dates TBD facilitated by Mark DeKraai. He will also facilitate discussion with Law Enforcement on grant requests with the PET group. A Committee consisting of Brad Boyum and Greg Koinzan will be set up to work with Law Enforcement for their projects.

10 minute break

The Regional PET calendar shows a EOC functional for April which will be held April 26 at 9 am at various EOCs across the region. There will be a Regional functional in May on Missing Persons. Regional meeting will be in May at Knox County and then do functional in afternoon. June ethanol exercise will be in South Sioux City June 29<sup>th</sup>.

Upcoming Events:

May meeting in Center with Missing Person functional in the afternoon.

June meeting will be in South Sioux City instead of Norfolk

Deanna Beckman had great feedback from her exercise April 9<sup>th</sup>. There were 106 people participating.

Nic Kemnitz was presented the EM of the Year award from NAEM along with his 5 year pin.

April 28<sup>th</sup> will be Severe Weather Training at the College Center in South Sioux.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Laura J. Hintz