

# **PANHANDLE REGIONAL PET COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016**

**10:00 AM MST**

**Alliance Fire Department Training Center**

**220 W 3<sup>rd</sup> Alliance, NE**

**Call to Order** – Tim Newman – Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM.

**Publication of meeting** – The PET Governance Board meeting was published in the newspaper as required by Open Meeting Laws. A copy of the Open Meetings Law was in the meeting room. A change was made to the agenda and the item of election of officers was removed as it was completed in the January meeting.

**Introduction of Visitors:**

Nan Gould, Region 23 Emergency Manager; Milo Cardenas, Morrill County Sheriff; Kevin Spencer, Scottsbluff PD; James Todd, Scottsbluff PD Bomb Squad ; Tony Serbousek - Region 23 Communications; Brad Schrum , Alliance Fire Department; Sue Krogman, NEMA; Troy Harris, NEMA; Heidi Gillespie, Region 21 Communications; Ron Leal, Region 21 Emergency Manager; Kate Speck, UN PPC.

Sue Krogman and Troy Harris of NEMA discussed the NRIN (Nebraska Regional Interoperable Network), has been in the Pan handle for about 4 years. Sue distributed maps for the group. This network is a point to point network that connects the PSAP's and the 911 Centers across Nebraska. This is a data transport that is built in rings for redundancy with capability of a large amount of data including teleconferencing. East Central Region is using the system for their primary 911 with NRIN as a secondary system. It is eliminating a lot of cost across the state. Sue discusses that when Panhandle is ready, assistance is available to address the technical connections. NEMA is the contract manager for NRIN. The Department of Roads is also interested in the system and intends to use cameras on the towers to determine services. There is an NRIN Governance Committee that manages the system and decides who will be on the network and there is possible payment from some that would defray costs.

The Paraclete Survey was complete and the outcome was that after 9 years it is not being used as originally intended to patch radio communications. At the Nebraska Public Safety Commission meeting on March 15, 2016 there will be a vote that will determine the continuation of this project. The InterOp Solutions contract is costly and Nebraska is no longer planning to support it. The equipment can be used for something else and if any Region wants to continue, they will need to fund it differently. Sue discusses the availability of NEMA to attend the PET Meetings to assist with projects and information.

Troy Harris discusses the TICP plan and the upcoming workshop. Troy is the POC for the TICP. The current plan is to have a Regional Wireless Interoperable RWIC, similar

to the SWIC on the statewide level. Troy asks for a representative for the Region so that a collaborative network can be developed for frequencies and plans. Troy needs assistance to complete the regional portion of the plan to make sure all is included in the plan and that the information is current. County input will be more current with this model. If consoles need replacement, Regions should contact the OCIO.

Troy also discussed the TERREX – the situation will be a terrorist initiated wildfire in the Panhandle to test the interpretational communications system on April 3, 2016. There are several new initiatives and a priority from the new OCIO Director, Ed Toner and the Governor is to address interoperable communications and to get the SRS operational.

**Approval of Minutes** – from January 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting – A Motion to approve the January 5, 2016 Meeting Minutes was made by Kevin Spencer and Seconded by Nan Gould. Motion carries.

**Grant Management report** – Tim Newman provided a document via email to outline the progress on the 2014 and 2015 funds and projects.

From the 2015 Grant Region 22 has paid the CodeRED bill, and from 2014 Grant Region 21 has paid for the CERT exercise.

### **Old Business**

The PET Governance Board By-Laws

- By Laws Review and Amendment Submissions
  - Addition of an Attendance Policy into Article III
  - Removal of redundant statement in Section 1 Article V
  - Change to allow proxy voting, Section 2 in Article V

Motion to accept Nan Gould was made, and Milo Seconds - Motion Carries

- Vote on adding Amanda Stricker as the Fire Representative to the Panhandle PET Governance Board from Region 21.

Vote to accept Amanda Stricker as the Fire Representative - Motion Carries

### **New Business**

- Other new business – The following Investment Justification projects for the PET Region were discussed for Work Plan submission.
  - Nan reports on the timeline for the IJ process and the Subject Matter Expert (SME) webinars. Dates for SME's and for the prioritizations, recommendations, and with the HS Policy Group and the final decisions with the group.
  - Subject Matter Expert groups: Tim Newman and Dana Miller and Bob Hessler are on the Citizen Corp SME; Tim Lordino and James Todd are on the Law Enforcement SME; Nan is on the PET SME; Communications
- 17 PROJECTS discussed:
  - Region 22 SB County CERT \$2500
  - Code RED – entire Panhandle with Weather Alert - \$42,650
  - Regional Planning Travel funds \$3K

- Scottsbluff Fire Corp Enhancement - \$5500
  - Video Conferencing Project - \$45K
  - NRIN Sustainability and Maintenance - \$16, 900
  - Tablets and Data Packages for Resource Tracking - \$9,000
    - Last year approved for 15 licenses for the tracking but there was not a device connected rather than on personal devices
    - Data packages for tablets
  - Supplies for replacement ribbons and card stock for replacement Badges - \$3123.00
  - Dawes Co 911 Communications upgrade - \$140K Total Costs – the Regional cost for the Positron upgrade and both software and hardware for 911 capable for interoperability would be \$40 – 50 K depending on the quote from CenturyLink
  - SRS Consolettes for Cheyenne County – \$11, 534
  - Laptops, TV;s Projector\$10,200
  - Cheyenne County EOC - \$11,200
  - Region 21 CERT- 3K - Training
  - CERT Trailer 7X16 Ft -Deployable for Panhandle Region -- \$23K
  - Bomb Squad – Truck is not adequate for the current trailer to pull for long distances - 50 – 60 K – LE IED
  - Bomb Squad – Basic SWAT from the 2014 grant if it is scheduled before Aug 2016 LE IED
  - Bomb Suit - \$34K LE IED
  - Training Exercise package – 3 trainings - \$3500 per training including Mass Fatality.
- Update THIRA to add pertinent information

### **Next Meeting**

**The next meeting will be determined** – Cancel March and April and meet May 3, 2016 teleconference 10:00 AM.

**Adjournment** - Kevin Motioned and Milo seconded the Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried. Motion to adjourn 12:20 PM