

SCPETR Meeting: October 5, 2011, City of Grand Island IT Conference Room

Present: Brian Woldt, Darrin Lewis, Tim Stutzman, Bob Willicott, Jon Rosenlund, Alison Ficociello, Kate Speck, Kirt Smith, Chip Volcek, Molly Sumpter, Pat Gerdes

Guest: Ann Martin –Idea Bank

Brian called the meeting to order at 1337

Open meeting law was posted in an adjacent room.

Motion was made by Kirt, seconded by Jon to move Ann Martin with the Idea Bank up in the agenda.

Aye-Brian, Pat, Jon, Kirt, Tim, Chip

Nay-Darrin

Motion carried

Motion by Darrin, seconded by Jon to approve minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried with all aye votes being cast.

Ann Martin with the Idea Bank addressed the group regarding the plan to deliver us a new proposal for the public outreach project. A question of their agency was, “will the project be seasonal based”? Darrin offered that it would and suggested that Spring/Summer campaign of severe weather would be started in March and Fall/Winter campaign to begin in October with All-hazards topics through the year, i.e. Shelter in Place, Terrorism, etc. If the budget would allow a video maybe could be produced and made available on the website with a URL that is Nebraska based, i.e. ReadyNebraska.com or the like. It is the hopes that the other regions would get onboard as well. There will be a sub-committee set up within the SCPETR to work with the winning contractor on the project.

Alison asked about she could assist with the outreach project as she has a lot of the information already produced or researched and can share on behalf of the business side of preparedness to the project. She participated in the Buffalo County Safety Fair, Franklin Chamber of Commerce and has some other information to go out to other Chambers of Commerce within the area. She will be meeting with Intellicom in Kearney and conducting a class at CCC-Hastings. She stated she would also be attending the NEMA Basic Academy as well as Nuisance Abatement training.

Kate Speck with the UNL-PPC reported that several of the counties had completed the Goal 2 project and that there would be a webinar on Oct 24th to assist the counties that are incomplete in getting this done by the December deadline. Phase I of the NRIN system is underway with installs beginning in the panhandle. Phase II and III will be moving soon as the MOU’s are getting completed and storage of equipment is being lined up. NCOR/NWIN is in the process of becoming one group now that the projects are moving forward it seemed more practical to combine the groups now. In addition to this group Law Enforcement, EMS, and Fire would be added to the group of representatives. Another webinar will be held in November regarding the build out of the NRIN system. Stan Coleman from our region was honored as an Outstanding Volunteer at the Governors Conference on Volunteerism. Grant structures may be changing in the future to give the locals more control of what they can purchase.

Pat gave brief report on NCOR/NWIN meeting in the absence of Chief Thoren, he echoed some of Kate’s comments and addressed the MOU’s that will be coming around to each county stating that each

County will be responsible to gather these agreements in their areas. At this point we still have no idea on sustainability and Pat cautioned everyone about approaching their boards and not expressing this as most boards are not going to issue a blank check. Some of the sites will be rent free and some will have fees so these cost need to be shared regionally in order to make it operable regionally. Once the grant funds are gone, we will need a way to sustain the system locally. How or who will we do this??

Pat also told everyone that all of the equipment for the PSIC Mutual Aid has been ordered with the exception of North Platte where we are waiting an agreement with NPPD for tower space. The clock is ticking so hopefully those installs will be beginning shortly.

Grant projects were discussed. Chip advised he would not need the \$ 954.00 remaining in 2009 grant.

Darrin discussed the siren SOG's. Mike Moritz at NWS had reviewed them and made some additional changes. A motion by Chip and second by Kirt to approve this as a guide in the region. All voting aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held about opening the bids at the TEPW in North Platte. It was decided that they will be opened by those present at 1400 at the Holiday Inn Express in North Platte-Room TBD.

Rooms for the TEPW, will we be paying? It was the pleasure of the group to pay for the night before. Let Jill know by Oct 11th if a room is needed and she will make the reservations. Jon and Brian will handle the paperwork for Aaron Alward regarding the TEPW.

Darrin moved, seconded by Bob Willicott to approve the North Platte PD request to send the officer to the Hostage Negotiation Training with LETPP money if approved by NEMA and the other LE agencies in the region for the use.

Aye: Pat, Darrin, Brian, Bob, Kirt, Tim, Chip

Nay: Jon

Discussion was conducted on the region hosting an ICS 300/400 course. Jon suggested that we work on making up our own Type III team to make sure we get the correct people in this training. Darrin said Kearney Fire as offered up their training center for the class. Jon moved, Pat seconded to go ahead with the proposed class and offer it to our selected team members first then open it up accordingly to fill remainder of any open spots. Motion carried with all ayes being cast.

More discussion ensued on how to make the select of participants and it was determined to choose 2 people from each county with a reminder that this class will be held in the workweek. From there we will open it up to others to fill the class. Pat moved, Darrin seconded to use grant funds to pay for meals and breaks. With all ayes being cast the motioned was carried. Attendees will be on their own for other expenses.

Jon moved, Bob seconded to continue the \$ 100 dues for the regional misc. expenses-Motion carried with all aye votes.

Darrin made motion, Jon seconded to request a monthly financial report on the funds from the dues collected by Phelps County. Motion carried

Chip mentioned the new EMPG guidelines and wondered if anyone was having any issues or if there was any discussion required. Everyone seemed to have a pretty good grasp on the new procedures, etc.

Brian distributed a copy of a letter from Al Berndt showing our decrease in grant funds for 2011. Our allotment is \$ \$201,750.00 and \$ 68,192 must go to law enforcement. Pat moved, Jon seconded to have Brian sign and return the acknowledgement of funding. Motion carried.

Good of the group: Has everyone been contacted by SES? No, Hamilton, Webster, Nuckolls had not so Brian will contact them.

Kirt moved to adjourn at 1601, Jon got the second-Motion carried