

September 5th, 2018 – 1300 Hours
Axtell Fire Station, 202 East 6th Street, Axtell (Kearney County)
South Central PET Region
Minutes

Present: Brian Woldt, Loren Uden, Ron Pughes, Dawna Whitcomb, Logan Lueking, Jon Rosenlund, Nick Elledge, Kirt Smith, Darrin Lewis, Roger Powell, Jeff England, Joanna Le Moine, Chris Oreck, Ron Sunday, Kate Speck, Brian Stephens, Sheriff Watson

- 1) Call to Order – Open Meeting Law
 - a. Brian called the meeting to order at 13:00.

- 2) Review and approve the agenda
 - a. Kirt motioned to approve the agenda for today’s meeting. Nick seconded. Motion passed.

- 3) Review and approve the minutes from the previous meeting
 - a. Kirt motioned to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Jon seconded. Motion passed.

- 4) NEMA Report –
 - a. Logan mentioned he had a note from Merci stating that for any county that gets EMPG or SHSP funds, you must have a written county procurement policy, even it is something that states you adopt the policy at the state level, this must be in writing. All vendors must not be debarred – do your SAM searches. EMPG, if you have exercises, you must have sign-in sheets, AAR’s, brochures, Agendas as per a new guidance from FEMA.
 - b. He mentioned that the annual THIRA/TEPW will be in Lincoln November 1st & 2nd at the Graduate hotel.
 - c. Chris mentioned that they still have some openings for the Basic Academy Capstone class October 17th & 18th. Also, if you are looking at doing the Advanced Professional Series, make sure you get it on the TEPW Calendar.

- 5) Public Policy Center – Kate Speck
 - a. Kate mentioned that before attending the THIRA meeting in November, to review the THIRA. She said that our region is in good shape since we just did ours. Jon asked to make sure that the completed THIRA be sent out, but others think it was already sent out. Kate will resend it to Joanna to send back out to be sure that it was completed. Jon was also wondering if there was a way to have a Google Drive or a website that all of this information would be available on so that anyone could get it at any time. It was mentioned possibly having it on the NAEM website and Jon will discuss this with Shannon who is doing the site.

6) SC LEG Update – Sheriff Watson

- a. Sheriff Watson mentioned that they were successful in spending most of the money that was returned to the LEG from the 2015 SHSP because of the Fusion Center which was not able to complete their Sleuth Integration. He said that they did the See Something Send Something app that they are pushing into a few schools, some vehicles have been equipped and cybersecurity has been purchased. The See Something Send Something is being rolled out very soon. He wants to know if they could use some of the training money from the 2017 funds for food for the rollout presentation and training. There is a question on co-mingling of funds and whether it would be approved or not. Loren also mentioned we could take some out of dues money. Loren moved to take \$400 from dues to pay for See Something Send Something kickoff training refreshments. Jon seconded. Motion passed. Sheriff Watson said that everyone is welcome to attend.
- b. 2016 money, they have completed using these funds. 2017 money, they had a hiccup on a database which had a 3 year contract over a 2 year grant base that Julie caught. Sheriff Watson, Dawna and Julie are working to get that straightened out.

7) ARC Update – Brian Stephens

- a. Brian said they are continuing to get agreements and are now working on shelter surveys. They are also looking at who wants to have smoke detector installations. September is National Preparedness Month. They have a website where businesses can use a self-assessment tool to see how they rate on being prepared for a disaster, and will give them helpful hints on ways to be prepared (<https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/workplaces-and-organizations.html>). They will be doing more hands-only CPR this coming year as well.

8) Old Business

- a. 2015 Grant – Update
 - i. The money we got back from the Fusion Center was almost all spent. Only \$104.89 is going back to the state and this grant is now closed.
- b. 2016 Grant – Update
 - i. There is still money in Citizen Corps which might have been going towards a trailer. There is a little left in credentialing for something, and the money left for the credentialing exercise, which is something that we need to get set up. Jeff said that he could use some cards for his credential printer. The NRIN money is for the tower on Jill's land. Jon motioned to buy Jeff cards, Nick seconded. Motion passed.
- c. 2017 Grant – Update
 - i. LEG still has \$10,689.06 to work on spending for their projects at this time. \$100K in NRIN for tower buildout. The backpacks were ordered for Lincoln Co CERT and taken out of 2017. We have training money available – \$23,520. There is the annual fee for the Be Ready app on the 2017 grant which will be able to keep the app going for another year. There was discussion on letting the app go now instead of in a year when there will be no further funds for it, and what PSAs we might be able to get with this money instead. Loren asked if there was

a way to promote the See Something Send Something on the Be Ready website. Jon needs someone to send him the link to be able to update the information on the website.

- d. Be Ready Nebraska – Darrin & Jon
 - i. Darrin mentioned that they were supposed to be rolling out updates for the last 4 years and we have seen nothing. There was discussion and this app will be allowed to die now, and if Dawna receives a bill, she was told to not pay for it. If they call her, Darrin said to have them contact him and he will tell them how poor their service was for us.
- e. South Central All Hazards Response Team – Loren
 - i. Nothing new at this time.

9) NPSCC Update

- a. NRIN – Jon
 - i. In an effort to move NRIN off the grant system and have it funded, they will begin collecting fees for it beginning in January, 2019. 911 connectivity will be \$300/month; data connectivity will have a monthly fee. The intent is to stay below market rate so that it is affordable for everybody. Some equipment already needs to be replaced on this system. Each PET region is responsible for their ring until it becomes a statewide system. Each county is insuring the equipment on their towers in their county. NACO will be the fiscal agent for the fees and expenses of NRIN. Joanna asked for a copy of the cost list sheet to be able to send out with the minutes, Jon will send it to her. There was something that went out to each county that is part of the system. Having NRIN on the grant will go away in the next year or two.
 - ii. This is a dedicated, secure, exclusive line for data sharing, SRS, etc.
 - iii. Jon mentioned that a NRIN radio needs to be taken down and put back up as they are painting the tower in Shelton. Currently it is \$3,000 to take it down, but unsure what the amount will be to put it back up. Jon suggests that this come out of the 2017 funds. Kirt moves to pay for the work to be done in Shelton not to exceed \$9K. Roger seconded. Motion passed.
- b. CNRI – Loren
 - i. Nothing new at this time.

10) New Business

- a) TEPW Calendar
 - a. Jon brought up the TEPW calendar, which is a 5 year rotating calendar showing trainings and exercises. He asks everyone to put things on the calendar that you might be planning, with year 5 on the back. Nothing that is not on this form will be funded with homeland security funds. If you are not sure, put it on the calendar just in case. This is updated each year, so things can be updated as they come around.

11) Good of the Group

- a. The Hazmat Conference is the 27-29 in North Platte. Joanna will send out an Agenda. There is a first responder and a LEPC track for training, as well as a tour of Bailey Yard, NWS Balloon release, and Hazmat Challenge planned during this conference.

12) Adjournment

- a. Kirt motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jon seconded. Meeting adjourned at 14:10