

**Southeast Nebraska Emergency Management Group  
Regional Governance Board  
MINUTES — Regular Meeting  
Jan. 9, 2013 — 10 a.m.  
Gage County EOC, Beatrice, Nebraska**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Doug Ahlberg called the regular meeting of the Southeast Regional Emergency Management Governance Board to order at 10:18 a.m. on Jan. 9, 2013 at the Gage County EOC, Beatrice, Nebraska. The meeting was held in compliance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act and a copy of the Act was available for inspection in the meeting room.

Present were board members John McKee (Jefferson County), Donna Mainwaring (Fillmore County), Bill McPherson (Thayer County), Sandy Weyers (Cass County), Mark Meints (Gage County), Mike Wilcox (Pawnee County), Clint Strayhorn (Johnson County), Doug Ahlberg (Lancaster County), Renee Critser (Nemaha County), Gregg Goebel (Otoe County), Jim Gerweck (Richardson County), BJ Fictum (Saline County) and Gary Petersen (Seward/York County). Guests present were Lisa Bloss (Southeast District Health Department), Barb Liska (Seward County Communications), Sue Krogman (NEMA), Tim Maloney (Cass County EM), Sean Thurmer and Jeff Boyden (72nd Civil Support Team), Brian Daake (Beatrice HazMat Team), Richard Vlach (Nemaha County), Dr. Denise Bulling (UNL Public Policy Center), Steve Cody (Otoe County EM) and Ray Ryan (Lincoln Radio Shop).

**Introduction and Reception of Visitors**

Ahlberg welcomed the visitors and introductions of guests and board members were made.

**Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Jefferson, to approve the agenda. Voting aye were Cass, Jefferson, Pawnee, Thayer, Fillmore, Gage, Johnson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Otoe, Richardson, Saline, Seward/York; nays, none; motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Fillmore, seconded by Johnson, to approve the minutes of the Aug. 8, 2012 meeting as presented. Voting aye were Gage, Johnson, Lancaster, Cass, Jefferson, Pawnee, Thayer, Fillmore, Nemaha, Otoe, Richardson, Saline, Seward/York; nays, none; motion carried.

**Financial Report**

Ahlberg presented the January financial report, which included a summary of FY2009, FY2010 and FY2011 grant funding available to the region, prior commitments and allocations, and amounts remaining. A copy of the report is attached and hereby incorporated as a part of the minutes. A motion was made by Otoe, seconded by Pawnee, to approve the report. Voting aye were Johnson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Cass, Jefferson, Pawnee, Thayer, Fillmore, Gage, Otoe, Seward/York, Richardson, Saline; nays, none; motion carried.

**Civil Support Team Presentation**

Mark Meints introduced Sean Thurmer and Jeff Boyden with Nebraska's 72nd Civil Support Team, who gave a 20-minute presentation on the services which the CST can offer, including communications and survey functions. They discussed the recent HazMat incident in Fairbury, how they are activated and the cache of equipment they have at their disposal. The PowerPoint presentation will be emailed to board members following the meeting.

### **Claims**

Rental of storage space owned by the Lincoln Airport Authority to store equipment and materials for the Nebraska Regional Interconnectivity Network (NRIN) microwave system was discussed. Ahlberg explained that rental would be \$850 per month, a cost shared 50-50 with the East Central Region, and was eligible for grant funding, which works out to 35 cents per foot.

A motion was made by Gage, seconded by Richardson, to allow the chairman to enter into a lease agreement with the Airport Authority to rent the former Work Release Center for storage of NRIN equipment. Voting aye were Gage, Johnson, Lancaster, Cass, Jefferson, Pawnee, Thayer, Fillmore, Nemaha, Otoe, Richardson, Saline, Seward/York; nays, none; motion carried.

A motion was made by Gage, seconded by Saline, to research the insurance requirements for storing the NRIN equipment and to require proof of insurance. Voting aye were Pawnee, Thayer, Fillmore, Gage, Johnson, Lancaster, Cass, Jefferson, Nemaha, Otoe, Richardson, Saline, Seward/York; nays, none; motion carried.

### **Request For Funding**

McPherson reported contacting Midwest Card & ID to check on more training for Resource ManagerWeb, which has been installed by the North-Central Nebraska Health District. The class would be open to the entire region for whomever needs it since a year has gone past. Questions were raised whether the region could pay for it, but it was noted that if NEMA is indicating it is payable, a hard copy of the authorization and AEL be on file. A decision will be made at the February meeting.

### **Committee Reports**

a. Executive Committee — Ahlberg reported the committee met Dec. 20 to discuss the work plans and future funding for the ATAP group which we have supported since its inception. The FY2011 and FY2012 work plans were finalized.

b. Communications Committee — Fictum reported on the meeting held prior to the full board meeting. Krogman reviewed a number of ongoing radio projects, including NRIN and the need to begin completing the Memoranda of Understanding and leases with the various entities and tower owners. CSI is working on EHPs and installation for the South Central Region; once that is done, they will move to whichever region is the most progressed due to grant deadlines. She showed a map of the present NRIN configuration in the SE region with the major gaps in Thayer, Otoe and Nemaha counties and also into and out from Beatrice. The committee made some changes during the morning meeting. The members also discussed lease pricing and possible tradeouts (e.g., purchase a generator in exchange for no-cost lease, etc.) and expressed concern about how the overall region-wide costs would be paid.

Ray Ryan reported on the first meeting of the Nebraska Public Safety Communications Council held Dec. 12, 2012 and said the group combines the Nebraska Council of Regions (NCOR) and the Nebraska Wireless Interoperability Network Council (N-WIN) in order to

better coordinate and integrate the public safety communication system. Minutes are available on the UNL Homeland Defense Planning website.

c. PET — Ahlberg reminded the group of ICS 300 and ICS 400 classes scheduled for January and February in Lincoln and handed out registration forms. They are being done on weekends to allow volunteer departments to send personnel. Otoe County is holding ICS 300 and 400 in Syracuse April 6 and 7. Information on the TEEEX Wide-Area Search class coming to Lincoln in March will be distributed later.

d. SEMRS — Ahlberg reported that SEMRS is undergoing some reorganization; subcommittees will be developed which will basically only have one roll-call vote for fairness to ensure no interest area can dominate the issues.

e. State Projects Update — Denise Bulling, UNL Public Policy Center, handed out the regional medical response guides. She reported that the Fusion Center is issuing a call for applicants for 30 liaison officers around the state, including 8 for the regions. They are looking for law enforcement officials to start with then add different professions. Anyone with nominations should contact Bulling. She also said the state will be revising the State Homeland Security Strategies and the SEOP.

### **Workplan Approvals**

The FY2011 and FY2012 Workplans were presented for the group's discussion and approval. A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Jefferson, to approve the FY2011 workplan. Voting aye were Pawnee, Thayer, Fillmore, Gage, Johnson, Lancaster, Cass, Jefferson, Nemaha, Otoe, Richardson, Saline, Seward/York; nays, none; motion carried.

A motion was made by Cass, seconded by Richardson, to approve the FY2012 workplan as presented. Voting aye were Pawnee, Thayer, Fillmore, Gage, Johnson, Lancaster, Cass, Jefferson, Nemaha, Otoe, Richardson, Saline, Seward/York; nays, none; motion carried.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 13, 2013 in Jefferson County beginning at 10 a.m. at the Gage County EOC in Beatrice.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.



B.J. Fictum, Secretary