

**Southeast Nebraska Emergency Management Group
Regional Governance Board**

**MINUTES – Regular Meeting
July 2, 2014
Gage County EOC, Beatrice, Nebraska**

Call to Order

Chairman John McKee called the regular meeting of the Southeast Regional Emergency Management Governance Board to order at 10:07 a.m. on July 2, 2014 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.

Board members present were John McKee (Jefferson County), Renee Critser (Nemaha County), BJ Fictum (Saline County), Sandy Weyers (Cass County), Jim Dunker (Fillmore County), Tim Stutzman (Gage County), William McPherson (Thayer County), Gary Peterson (Seward/York Counties), Gregg Goebel (Otoe County), Brian Dixon (Richardson County). Also present were recording secretary Jana Gerdes (Nemaha County), Joe Hawkins (Gage County Deputy), and John Moon III (Richardson County Deputy).

Visitors at the meeting were Lisa Bloss (Southeast District Health Department), Denise Bulling (University of Nebraska Public Policy Center), John Cutler (Southeast Nebraska Health Care Coalition), Kim Plouzek (Public Health Solutions), Sue Krogman (Nebraska Emergency Management Agency), Bryan Tuma (Nebraska Emergency Management Agency), and Ray Ryan (Lincoln Radio Maintenance).

Introduction

McKee welcomed the visitors and guests and introductions were made.

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Saline, seconded by Otoe to approve the agenda as presented. Voting aye were Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Thayer, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Richardson, Jefferson, and Saline; nays, none; motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Nemaha, seconded by Cass to approve the June 5, 2014 meeting minutes as presented. Voting aye were Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Thayer, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Richardson, Jefferson, and Saline; nays, none; motion carried.

Financial Report & Review of Grant Funding

Discussion will be held in further detail with item 7a.

Funding Requests/Claims

Richardson County EMA NRIN Generator – Motion by Saline and seconded by Fillmore to allocate \$9,356.00 out of the FY 2011 grant to purchase a generator for the NRIN project for Richardson County. Voting aye were Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Thayer, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, and Saline; nays, none; Richardson County abstained; motion carried.

Saline County EMA CAMEO Training – Motion by Seward/York and seconded by Richardson to allocate \$249.00 to reimburse for the CAMEO Training that Saline County attended. The training was previously approved at the March 2014 meeting. Voting aye were Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Thayer, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, and Richardson; nays, none; Saline County abstained; motion carried.

Cass County EMA NRIN Generator – Motion by Nemaha and seconded by Saline to allocate \$15,000.00 for a generator to help run a tower for the NRIN project in Cass County. Voting aye were Richardson, Fillmore, Gage, Thayer, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, and Saline; nays, none; Cass County abstained; motion carried.

Work Plan Approvals

2012 Workplan - Saline County gave an update on the changes that were made to the 2012 Workplan that is now complete and has been submitted to the state. Motion by Nemaha and seconded by Richardson to approve the adjusted 2012 workplan with the changes submitted as explained. Voting aye were Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Thayer, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, and Saline, Richardson; nays, none; motion carried.

2014 Workplan – The board discussed the 2014 Workplan and how the funds \$371,685.00 should be split. Discussion was to split the funds \$115,330 for CitizenCore, \$163,755.00 split between PET and Communications, with \$ 92,600.00 left for Law Enforcement and IED. Motion by Seward/York and seconded by Otoe to approve the 2014 workplan with \$115,330.00 to CitizenCore and split the \$92,600 as follows: \$25,000 Fusion Center, \$25,000 State IED, and \$42,600.00 Lincoln Bomb Squad. Voting aye were Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Thayer, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, and Saline, Richardson; nays, none; motion carried. There was no motion for the remaining \$163,755.00 for PET and Communications – further discussion needed at next meeting.

Committee/Board Reports – Executive Board

No report this meeting.

Committee/Board Reports – Communications

Sue Krogman gave an update on the NRIN project. The NRIN project will continue and the East Central Region will be pushing to get their install done by the end of July. The project could be moving into the Southeast Region in August if there are funds still available. Krogman also stated she would be contacting each individual county in the region to see what each county's needs are to get their county up and ready to go. Krogman also introduced Bryan Tuma the new Assistant Director of Nebraska Emergency Management Agency. Tuma gave an update on the Disaster Declaration and damage assessments and cleanup for the tornados. Tuma also discussed the statewide radio communication program and its importance to the state as well as the 2014 EMPG grant disbursement.

Ray Ryan gave an overview on the FirstNet Project its status and where they hope to have the project in the future.

Committee/Board Reports – Exercise/Planning/Training

Renee Critser, Nemaha County Director stated the Midwest Card ID Training dates would be set for the last 2 weeks of August. It is a 4 Hour Training and will have 2 sessions scheduled one in the morning and one in the afternoon.

Committee/Board Reports – SEMRS Update

John Cutler gave an update on the SEMRS now Southeast Nebraska Health Care Coalition group. The SNHCC has updated their bi-laws and they have been put into place. Cutler also announced that the First Receiver brochure with training information will be coming out soon.

Committee/Board Reports – State Project Update

Denise Bulling with the University of Nebraska Public Policy Center gave a brief summary of the July 24, 2014 THIRA workshop for Behavioral Health that is coming up. The State THIRA process is beginning and will be re-doing their scenarios probably in October. Bulling also explained that there were still openings for the August 7th and 8th training hosted by the North Central Region for School Safety Conference. Bulling concluded with informing the board that the ATAP Conference has been booked and the individuals are willing to give an overview to the board at the September meeting.

Committee/Board Reports – Fusion Center Update

No report this meeting.

Northeast Nebraska Tornado Response Discussion

Discussion and an overview was given by different board members that were activated and responded to the Pilger tornado. The group discussed some issues that were noticed during the time they responded to Pilger and what issues could be fixed for possible future disasters in this region. Region is looking for a new supplier for ID cards and ribbons that may be cheaper than Midwest Card & ID Solutions.

Region Fiscal Agent/POC Discussion

The board discussed who or what county will take over being fiscal agent for the region when Lancaster County is done at the end of the year. Major discussion was held on the fact that the County Commissioners, County Treasurer, and County Clerk all have to be on board to become fiscal agent.

Board and Public Comment

No further comments or discussion.

Set Time, Date, and Location for next meeting

The next meeting was set for Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the Gage County EOC, Beatrice, Nebraska.

Special Recognition

Special Recognition did not take place – Lancaster County was not present.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Seward/York and seconded by Thayer that the meeting be adjourned at 12:18 p.m. Voting aye were Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Thayer, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, and Saline, Richardson; nays, none; motion carried.