

Southeast Nebraska Emergency Management Group

Regional Governance Board

MINUTES – Regular Meeting

March 3, 2016

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 10:05 a.m. on March 3, 2016 at the Gage County EOC, Beatrice, Nebraska. Chairman McKee noted that the meeting was being 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 & Saline County Interim), Renee Critser (Nemaha County), Bill McPherson (Thayer County), Clint Strayhorn (Johnson/Pawnee Counties), Sandy Weyers (Cass County), Jim Dunker (Fillmore County), Gary Petersen (Seward/York Counties), Jim Davidsaver (Lancaster County), Tim Stutzman (Gage County) and Brian Dixon (Richardson County). Also present were Mark Hosking (Deputy Lancaster County), Joe Hawkins (Deputy Gage County), Mark Sullivan (Deputy Seward County), Emily Scribner (EM Specialist Richardson County), and recording secretary Jana Gerdes (Nemaha County).

Visitors at the meeting were Denise Bulling (University of Nebraska Public Policy Center), Teri Roberts (Volunteers Partners), Mark Meints (Southeast Community College), Rich Zimmerman (Saline County Sheriff's Office), Alan Moore (Saline County Sheriff's Office), Pete Crawford (City of Lincoln), Clint Kaspar (City of Lincoln), Jill Kuzelka (Public Health Solutions), and Laura McDougall (Four Corners Health Department).

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Johnson/Pawnee, seconded by Fillmore to approve the March 3, 2016 agenda as presented. Voting aye were Gage, Thayer, Lancaster, Seward/York, Fillmore, Jefferson, Saline, Nemaha, Johnson/Pawnee, and Richardson; nays, none; motion carried.

Introduction

McKee welcomed the visitors and guests and introductions were made.

Sandy Weyers (Cass County) arrived at the meeting at 10:07

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Fillmore, seconded by Johnson/Pawnee to approve the February 4, 2016 meeting minutes as presented. Voting aye were Richardson, Johnson/Pawnee, Cass, Nemaha, Saline, Jefferson, Fillmore, Seward/York, Lancaster, Thayer, and Gage; nays, none; motion carried.

Financial Report 2014 & 2015 Grant Funding

Jim Davidsaver gave an overview of the current progress of both the 2014 and 2015 work plans and what needs to be done to close them both out by the end of the grant periods. It was noted that the Operations Section Chief class in Cass County needs to be filled for the class to take place and be paid for out of the work plan.

Denise Bulling made the board aware that the NRIN board is looking at making their own work plan for monitoring of the NRIN system and if they do the line item for monitoring would need to be removed from the region's work plan.

2016 Work plan

Jim Davidsaver gave an overview of the 2016 work plan and informed the board it has been submitted to NEMA. The board discussed some possible projects and training expenses for the 2016 work plan. Jim also informed the board that the Fusion Center is looking to find 1 region to fund the entire Fusion Center budget for the state.

Salamander equipment update

Renee Critser informed the board that for the Salamander system the region is about 8 tracking devices shy for each county to have their own. Renee noted that all counties have rapid tag and also noted that Evac will be integrated into rapid tag in the next couple of years.

Public Health departments and Salamander (Discussion)

Mark Hosking explained to the group that Lancaster County is purchasing Salamander, Rapid Tag, & Mobile Apps for all 3 major hospitals in Lincoln and discussed with the board the possibility of supporting the Public Health departments in moving forward with the system and what role the region or the public health department would take in moving the process forward.

Department of Agriculture exercise March 11 8-5 pm Tecumseh community building (Update)

Clint Strayhorn told the board that the exercise is ready to go preparations have been made and rapid tag will be used during the exercise.

TICP Project Progress

No report this month.

Funding Requests & Claims – Gage County Extrication Bus Rescue Training – Mark Meints/Tim Stutzman

Motion was made by Johnson/Pawnee, seconded by Richardson to approve the funding request for Gage County University of Extrication Bus Rescue Seminar \$3,805.63 out of the FY2014 grant. Voting aye Thayer, Lancaster, Seward/York, Fillmore, Jefferson, Saline, Nemaha, Cass, Johnson/Pawnee, and Richardson; nays, none; abstaining, Gage; motion carried.

Funding Requests & Claims – Gage County ICS 300 Course – Tim Stutzman

Motion was made by Thayer, seconded by Fillmore to approve the funding request for Gage County Training for ICS-300 Intermediate Incident Command for \$1,721.70 out of the FY2015 grant. Voting aye Richardson, Johnson/Pawnee, Cass, Nemaha, Saline, Jefferson, Fillmore, Seward/York, Lancaster, Thayer; nays, none; abstaining, Gage; motion carried.

Funding Requests & Claims – Gage County ICS 400 Course – Tim Stutzman

Motion was made by Thayer, seconded by Richardson to approve the funding request for Gage County Training for ICS-400 Advanced Incident Command for \$1,721.70 out of the FY2015 grant. Voting aye Thayer, Lancaster, Seward/York, Fillmore, Jefferson, Saline, Nemaha, Cass, Johnson/Pawnee, and Richardson; nays, none; abstaining, Gage; motion carried.

Funding Requests & Claims – Richardson County Amended Approved Generator Project

Motion was made by Fillmore, seconded by Gage to approve the amended funding request for Richardson County Generator Project in the amount of an additional \$389.50 out of the FY2014 grant. Voting aye Johnson/Pawnee, Cass, Nemaha, Saline, Jefferson, Fillmore, Seward/York, Lancaster, Thayer, and Gage; nays, none; abstaining, Richardson; motion carried.

Committee/Board Reports – Executive Board

The executive board informed the entire board that prior to submitting the 2016 work plan they had a teleconference to finalize the 2016 work plan. Jim Davidsaver requested help from the board with Rapid Tag during the air show on May 6th, 7th, and 8th during the air show.

Committee/Board Reports – Communications

The NRIN Governance Board has been set up and two representatives from the SE Region were accepted on the board.

Committee/Board Reports – Exercise/Planning/Training

The Health Department is working on Active Shooter Table Top Exercise across the SE Region and will be finished in each county by March 17, 2016. The Health Department will be working on a Ebola Table Top Exercise shortly after the Active Shooter finishes up.

Lancaster County is hosting a Disaster Behavioral Health Exercise – Critical Incident Stress Management on April 21, 2016 in Lancaster County Health Department from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Mark Hosking requested that each county send him any trainings they are hosting so that he may add them to the 5 year PET Calendar.

Committee/Board Reports – SE Health Care Coalition Update

No report this month.

Committee/Board Reports – Fusion Center Update

No report this month.

Training on Rapid Tag System

Renee Critser will be doing a short training on the Rapid Tag system with all new counties who just received the system.

Board & Public Comment

Teri Roberts with Volunteer Partners discussed some upcoming trainings that they are still in need for volunteers to help with. She also informed the board that Volunteer Partners is purchasing a new software that will work with different websites to be able to request assistance for individuals, equipment, and so on during an emergency or a disaster.

The board thanked Brian Dixon for his service to Richardson County and to the region and wished him good luck in his future endeavors.

Set Time, Date, and Location for next meeting

The board scheduled the next meeting for Thursday, March 31, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Lancaster County Airport Building at 3401 W Luke St. Lincoln, NE.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Nemaha and seconded by Fillmore that the meeting be adjourned at 11:53 a.m. Voting aye were Gage, Thayer, Lancaster, Seward/York, Fillmore, Jefferson, Saline, Nemaha, Cass, Johnson/Pawnee, and Richardson; nays, none; motion carried.