

Southeast Nebraska Emergency Management Group

Regional Governance Board

MINUTES – Regular Meeting

Draft August 4, 2016

Gage County EOC, Gage County Courthouse in Beatrice, NE

Call to Order

Chairman John McKee called the regular meeting of the Southeast Regional Emergency Management Governance Board to order at 10:06 a.m. on August 4, 2016 at the Gage County EOC, Gage County Courthouse in 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/Saline Counties), Clint Strayhorn (Johnson/Pawnee Counties), Jim Dunker (Fillmore County), Gary Petersen (Seward/York Counties), Tim Stutzman (Gage County), Bill McPherson (Thayer County), Sandy Weyers (Cass County), Brian Kirkendall (Richardson County) and Mark Hosking (Deputy Lancaster County). Also present were Emily Scribner (EM Specialist Richardson County), Mark Sullivan (Seward County) and recording secretary Jana Gerdes (Nemaha County).

Visitors at the meeting were Brian Daake (Beatrice Fire & Rescue), Denise Bulling (Public Policy Center), David Wieting (Lincoln Lancaster County Health Department), Chris Lawrence (Four Corner Health Department) and Mark Schoenrock (Jefferson County Commissioner).

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Fillmore, seconded by Seward/York to approve the August 4, 2016 agenda as presented with no corrections or additions. Voting aye were Johnson/Pawnee, Jefferson/Saline, Seward/York, Lancaster, Richardson, Gage, Thayer, Fillmore and Cass; nays, none; motion carried.

Introduction

McKee welcomed the visitors/guests and introductions were made around the room.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Thayer, seconded by Gage to approve the July 7, 2016 meeting minutes as presented. Voting aye were Cass, Fillmore, Thayer, Gage, Richardson, Lancaster, Seward/York, Jefferson/Saline and Johnson/Pawnee; nays, none; motion carried.

Financial Report 2014 & 2015 Grant Funding

Mark Hosking informed the group that the FY2014 grant is complete and spent down. Mark also noted that 2015 is running smoothly but that the counties that are receiving Rapid Tag/Salamander equipment out of the 2015 grant need to prepare a cost estimate and get the ball rolling on purchasing the equipment. It was also noted that the Salamander mobile apps only allow 1 user instead of 2 for each license purchased.

2016 Work plan

Mark Hosking told the group that we are still awaiting final approval from the state on the 2016 work plan as presented and submitted to NEMA.

Discussion of 2016 PET region workshop

Denise Bulling has made reservations at the Divetts in Norfolk, NE for September 19th and 20th for the PET region workshop to be held. The workshop will be held after dinner on the 19th and carry over to the 20th after breakfast to about 2:30 in the afternoon. Denise requested to know who needs rooms and if there are

any special requests for rooms. The workshop is still contingent on if the 2016 work plan is approved beforehand.

Discussion of Rural EMS class August 17th in Tecumseh

Clint Strayhorn discussed the Rural EMS class that he is hosting on August 17th in Tecumseh. He informed the group it would be 4 hours of continuing ed credit for EMTs and paramedics. The class is being held from 5-9 p.m. and dinner will be served. There are still openings in the class if anyone is interested.

NRIN Update

John McKee gave an update for Sue Krogman on the status of the NRIN project. He informed the group that each county will be receiving an agreement for monitoring of the NRIN system at \$100 per month per region and a fee of \$75 per hour for any maintenance that may need to be done. There was also discussion of the NRIN governance board and the group of diverse people that make up the NRIN governance board.

Salamander Update

It was requested of Renee Critser to help the three counties who are receiving the salamander equipment receive a price quote and get the necessary paperwork started for the grant to get the equipment purchased.

Funding Requests & Claims

There were no funding requests or claims for this meeting.

Committee/Board Reports – Executive Board

There was discussion on the exact number of members needed at meetings to satisfy the quorum requirement.

Committee/Board Reports – Communications

The board discussed using SRS for the weekly NWS tests or what other systems may be used now that 39.9 is no longer adequate and is obsolete.

Committee/Board Reports – Exercise/Planning/Training

Gage County will be rescheduling his ICS courses since he did not have enough participants scheduled for the classes.

Mark Hosking asked the board if anyone had taken the Advanced Professional Development series of ICS courses. Mark has discussed these courses with NEMA and found that NEMA will give these classes at no fee. Mark will be sending out a link to the courses for everyone to look over to see how much interest there may be in having NEMA come to the region to have these trainings.

Denise Bulling informed the group of an upcoming Mass Fatality seminar hosted by DHHS on November 2nd in Grand Island at the Law Enforcement Academy. She also informed the group of the upcoming SPR THIRA on October 25th and 26th.

Committee/Board Reports – State Update-NEMA/Public Policy Center

Denise Bulling informed the group that the PPC is preparing an application for the state of Nebraska in response to a request for applications issued by the Department of Homeland Security for projects related to Countering Violent Extremism.

Committee/Board Reports – SE Health Care Coalition Update

It was noted that the TEPW (5 Year Calendar) will no longer be done by Randy Fisher through the region and that the responsibility of the TEPW will revert back to the counties.

Committee/Board Reports – Fusion Center Update

Denise Bulling noted that if the board was wanting to appoint additional members to the Fusion Center a training is coming up for any who are interested.

Board & Public Comment

Mark Hosking told the group he has a van full of bunker gear if anyone is interested please let him know he is wanting to get rid of it asap.

Set Time, Date, and Location for next meeting

The board scheduled the next meeting for Thursday, September 1, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Gage County Emergency Management Office, Beatrice, NE.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Johnson/Pawnee and seconded by Cass that the meeting be adjourned at 11:09 a.m. Voting aye were Johnson/Pawnee, Jefferson/Saline, Seward/York, Lancaster, Richardson, Gage, Thayer, Fillmore and Cass; nays, none; motion carried.