

Tri-County Urban Area Security Initiative Working Group

March 11, 2011, 0900 CST
1819 Farnam Street,
3rd Floor, Jesse Lowe Conference Room, Omaha, NE

Meeting comes to order

1. Introduction of voting members present

First Name	Last Name	Agency	Attendance
Scott	Baughman	Urban Fire	x
Bill	Bowes	Rural Fire	
Mark	Conrey	Communications	X
Mark	Desler	Urban Law Enforcement	X
Pete	Neddo	Critical Infrastructure / Key Resources	X
Adi	Pour	Douglas County	x
Larry	Lavelle	Sarpy County (chair)	X
Eric	Plautz	Emergency Management	X
Kevin	Pokorny	Rural Law Enforcement	X
Tom	Lamb	Washington County	x
Gail	Braun	Omaha Mayor's Office	x

2. Review & approval of meeting notes from the previous meeting

Scott Baughman made a motion to approve the minutes with the adjustment of the training name to CBRNE rather than Sebring. Pete Neddo seconded the motion; the motion passed by consensus.

Discussion Items

Updates and Reports

1. Tri-County/UASI management & Administration update – Gail Braun

The Tri-County UASI Investment Justification workshop will be held March 24, 2011 at the Bellevue Fire Training Center. The Inventory Template for the May 2011 Audit on 2005 and 2006 equipment has been sent. 2005 and 2006 Records may be sent to Phil Ruhe to identify questions or concerns. More information will be sent regarding potential questions and a monitoring inventory report.

2. Financial update & report – Scott Crites, City of Omaha Finance Department

No additional update.

3. Standing committee reports

a. Emergency Management: Eric Plautz

The Committee is continuing work with FDI Consulting and University of Nebraska Public Policy Center on the planning project for COOP (Continuity of Operations Plan) and the LEOP (Local Emergency Operations Plan). Six attendees were chosen to attend the UASI Conference in San Francisco, CA. The NIPC conference is in April in LaVista, NE. The registration fee for both days is \$85/95; NEMA has approved the registration fee can be deducted from UASI funds. Interested attendees should contact Phil Ruhe. The Douglas County Board made a resolution to support

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the COOP planning process will be Thursday, March 17. The Douglas COOP process kick off will be held April 1 and the Sarpy Co. Kick off will be held March 28 – all elected officials should be encouraged to participate and work with FDI to submit plans by June 30.

b. Communications – Mark Conrey

Homeland Security will visit in May regarding communications; all affected persons have been contacted. The radio system upgrade should be complete by early May. Some outages during the upgrade are expected; affected persons will be notified. A fire/river rescue will be planned for May 2011 to demonstrate Goal 2 of the National Communication Plan.

c. CI/KR – Pete Neddo

The CI/KR Committee met on Feb. 15; the committee received a presentation from Safeguard Iowa. The Committee is reviewing the Investment Justifications to consider a partnership between Iowa and Nebraska for a similar, “Safeguard Nebraska” project. A table top exercise will be planned in June. The next CI/KR Committee meeting will be April 19, 2011.

d. Urban Law – Mark Desler

The Committee is moving forward with spending ‘08 and ‘09 UASI funding in reasonable time.

e. Rural Law – Kevin Pokorny

The Committee is planning the exercise at Werner Park on April 2.

f. Urban Fire – Scott Baughman

The urban fire Committee is spending ‘09 UASI funding. Nearly all equipment has been identified for the ‘05 and ‘06 funding audit.

g. Rural Fire – Bill Bowes

No update

h. COOP Subcommittee – Gail Braun

The COOP Process kick off meetings will be held as follows: Omaha: March 23, Sarpy Co.: March 28, Douglas Co.: April 1, and Washington Co.: April 26.

4. Reports from other associated Homeland Security Federal Grant Programs

a. Omaha Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) – Larry Lavelle for Phyllis Dutton

A \$32,000 balance remains in 2008 funds; funding will be reallocated. Approval for 2010 funding allocations is pending. Upcoming training events include, “Clinicians and the Media: What Every Clinician Should Know” on Friday, April 1 and “Journalists Covering Disaster: Effective Reporting in Times of Stress” on April 2, 2011.

b. Buffer Zone Protection Programs (BZPP) – Mark Desler

No Update.

a. Citizen Corps Program – Jamie

The Tri-County Citizen Corps program was formed. A website will be developed.

Representatives for a Steering Committee were selected. The next meeting will be March 21, 2011 at 9:00 AM at the United Way. A preparedness exercise will be planned using funds from the state, Douglas County, and the MRC.

5. Update on Planning Project – John Fulwider

A flowchart describing the planning project was presented; the flowchart details the FDI Consulting portion of the project (COOP) and the Public Policy Center portion (LEOP Guidance). The PPC will work on agency departmental external operations and provide information to representatives on how to

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respond in a disaster. Guidance documents will be prepared. The workshops are scheduled as follows:
Sarpy Co.: March 28; Douglas Co.: April 7-8, and Washington Co.: April 26.

Action Items

1. Kevin Pokorny made a motion to approve of PET funds for six to attend the national UASI conference for \$12,000. Mark Desler seconded the motion; the motion passed by consensus.

Public Comment

1. The LEPC Conference will be held July 28-30, 2011. Donations and volunteers are needed. Next Meeting – April 8, 9 AM.

Upcoming events & next meeting

The next meeting will be held April 8, 2011 at 9:00 am in the Jesse Lowe Conference Room.