

Jackson County Local Emergency Planning Committee

January 22, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 0920 by Chairman Schreiber.

Motion by Gaylord Olson, 2nd by Kristina Page to approve previous meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Members present: Steve Schreiber, Dan Henderson, Gaylord Olson II, Kyle Deno, Jay Borek, Mark Moan, Terry Schmidt, and Kristina Page.

Members absent, Chris Danou, Peggy Holmgreen, Ben Hein, Nick Flugaur, Roger Turner, Karla Wood, Doug Blasse, Christine Hovell, & Darren Vase.

Invited guests present:

Mitigation Plan Resolution: Kristina Page gave an update on the Mitigation Plan. It was completed and sent to Wisconsin Emergency Management, sent back for additions, sent back to WEM, and then sent to FEMA for approval. It was sent back and we need to create a resolution to have it approved by the County Board. FEMA will be putting some of the wording from the plan into their Best Practices. Once the Resolution has gone through the approval process, the LEPC would be eligible for hazard mitigation dollars. Kristina read the resolution to the committee. Chief Deputy Mark Moan made a motion to send the resolution forward for approval. Terry Schmidt from Zoning seconded the motion. All approved. Steve Schreiber suggested putting it on our website. Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission should be congratulated for the good job they did on the Mitigation Plan.

Bylaws Update: At our last meeting, it was decided to have 2 meetings per year instead of 4. The meetings will be held in January and July. Chairman Schreiber inquired about the length of the officer's terms on the LEPC committee. There will be discussion at the next meeting. It was decided that the election of officers will be every odd year in July. Kristina made the motion to make the change in the bylaws concerning election of officers. Kyle Deno seconded the motion. All approved.

Membership Update: Bill Steigerwaldt has resigned from the Public Information Officer effective immediately. There was discussion on who would be a good candidate for that position. Pat Labarbera was suggested. Tom Gearing has retired from Federation Cooperative. His replacement is Doug Blaess. We will need to change the Federation Cooperative representative and the GIS Coordinator on our roster.

Compliance Inspector: The State is our compliance inspector. Kristina recommends that we continue with this. Kyle Deno made a motion to continue having the State as our Compliance Inspector. Mark Moan seconded the motion. All approved.

Committee reports:

Law Enforcement – Chief Deputy Mark Moan discussed the pipeline going through Jackson County. He has talked to a man from Texas who is providing security for the pipeline. They were inquiring about the

use of our deputies for overnight and weekend security. The Chief said that it would put a strain on our resources. Heavy equipment has already started to move in. The County has provided easements to WE Energies. They are looking to start construction in February.

Emergency Management – Kristina Page said that West Central Region Emergency Management is working on Best Practices for emergency messaging and processes for dispatch templates. They are looking at alternative places to place emergency messages. Jackson County Emergency Management now has a facebook page.

Environmental – Terry Schmidt, Zoning – Terry discussed the tire program. Zoning is doing an every other month tire collection. They have had to raise the rates from \$1 to \$2 for small tires, and \$5 to \$10 for large tires. White goods round up will be held in April.

Environmental – Gaylord Olson, Land Conservation – Nothing to report.

Transportation – Highway – Jay Borek said that the County Road N & Taylor bridge project is on the Governor's desk waiting for approval. It should be built by this fall. County Road P should be completed by this summer.

Hospital – Dan Henderson – Black River Memorial Hospital – There has been an increase in drug overdoses and workplace violence between hospital staff and patients. Dan said that drug usage can be monitored throughout the area with a drug monitoring system. Dan set that the hospital staff set up the d-con tent at midnight on Saturday in 4 minutes times. He was very satisfied with the exercise.

Elected Official – Local – County Clerk – Kyle Deno said that the County is looking at doing the courthouse addition. They have been looking at security measures in the court house. The board is looking at using Ho-Chunk monies to ease the taxpayers burden for the courthouse Addison. The addition cost approximately 2.6 million dollars.

Haz-Mat Report – Steve Schreiber, Black River Falls Fire Chief, said that it has been quiet. There were a couple of small incidents, nothing major. There was discussion on the Black River Falls city council meeting pertaining to the City Police Department.

Next meeting July 23 , 2015 at 0915.

Motion made by Terry Schmidt and seconded to by Mark Moan to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 10:15 am.

Mary Nelson
Recording secretary