



Davison County Emergency Management  
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LEPC Minutes  
September 9, 2020 @ 10:30 A.M.

Chairperson: Marius Laursen    Vice Chairperson: Steve Brink    Secretary: Jeff Bathke

1. Welcome-Sign In
2. Approval of the Agenda.
  - a. Motion by Mark, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vicki to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Approval of the previous minutes.
  - a. Motion by Mark, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John to approve the previous minutes. Motion carried.
4. Financial Status:
  - a. The Davison County LEPC receives grant funds from the state, which are used to pay for air cards in the Search and Rescue vehicles.
    - i. Amount of 2020 grant: \$1,284.72
    - ii. Expended: 979.56
    - iii. Remaining: \$305.16
  - b. Motion by Vicki, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark to approve the financial status. Motion carried.
5. Public Input
6. Remediation/HAZMAT Issues
  - a. 8-22-2020-POET-200 gallons distillate, applied absorbent, scraped up.
7. Administrative and SLA Requirement
  - a. None.
8. Current Road Closures
  - a. 411<sup>th</sup> Avenue between 258<sup>th</sup> and 259<sup>th</sup> Street
  - b. 401<sup>st</sup> Avenue between 259<sup>th</sup> and 260<sup>th</sup> Street
  - c. 397<sup>th</sup> Avenue between 258<sup>th</sup> and 259<sup>th</sup> Street
  - d. 253<sup>rd</sup> Street between 403<sup>rd</sup> and 404<sup>th</sup> Avenue
  - e. 267<sup>th</sup> Street between 410<sup>th</sup> and 411<sup>th</sup> Avenue
  - f. 245<sup>th</sup> Street between 410<sup>th</sup> and 411<sup>th</sup> Avenue (open, but water over the road)
  - g. Sanborn St. replacement 8<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>
  - h. MV overpass deck replacement. Plankinton exit is now open.
9. Upcoming Road Closures:
  - a. 2020 County-Rehab a bridge just north of the Gary Busmuss farm, between 249<sup>th</sup> and 250<sup>th</sup>. (delayed)
  - b. 2020 State-I90-MM 334 to 335-Reconstruct both EB & WB Lanes-Traffic head to head in adjacent lane during construction.
  - c. 2020 State-HW 42-Jim River Bridge Replacement East of Ethan in Hutchinson County-Bridge will be closed during construction.
  - d. 2021 State-HW 44-Parkston West-Shoulder widening project-Traffic will be maintained using flaggers.
  - e. 2024 State-HW 37 from Main Street to airport road reconstruction-Traffic will be maintained similar to Burr Street project.
  - f. 2024 State-HW 38 Alexandria Intersection to Spencer Quarry-Shoulder Widening/grading project-Traffic will have flaggers.
  - g. Future-City-Foster Bridge
  - h. Future-City-Canal Bridge
10. Jeff Bathke-P&Z/Drainage/EM

- a. The POD will be October 13<sup>th</sup> at the Corn Palace. Masks will be required. Participants should bring their own, but we will plan to have some on hand. Social distancing will be required and monitored by EM/Search & Rescue. Many volunteers will be needed to make this happen.
- 11. Mark Jenniges-P&Z/Drainage/EM
  - a. New ERG books are in. We have plenty for anyone who would like one.
- 12. Becky Pitz-POET
- 13. Marius Laursen/Shannon Sandoval-MFD
  - a. City of Mitchell Employee Flu shots will be September 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. MFD has reported to a few fires in the last month.
  - c. COVID-19 precautions are being taken by all staff.
  - d. Marius will be the contact person for all MFD matters until the end of the year, when the city will re-evaluate the situation.
  - e. The MFD will be purchasing new SCBA equipment, due to being unable to buy replacement parts for the existing equipment.
- 14. Mike Koster-MPD
  - a. The department has been busy with a recent homicide.
  - b. Dean Knippling has been promoted to LT. He will be added to the LEPC group.
  - c. The department is short staffed due to recent promotions and resignations.
- 15. Vicki Lehrman-Avera
  - a. LTC testing requirements is based on the positive rate for the county, which is currently high. If above 10%, all employees and contractors need to be tested twice weekly, which is very time consuming, so an outside lab is used. If any positives, all staff and residents need to be tested. Between 5%-10% testing will be once per week and below 5% is once per month.
  - b. More tests are being completed at this time, which will result in longer wait times for results. The state lab is testing high risk cases.
  - c. As a regional hospital, Avera Queen of Peace receives patients from many surrounding counties.
  - d. On August 24<sup>th</sup> Avera held a Tabletop Exercise (TTE) which practiced the transfer to/transfer back plan, decreased staffing and continued operations, supply shortages, etc.
- 16. Carey Brenner-Health-Absent
- 17. Michelle Carpenter/Roswitha Konz-Health-Absent
- 18. Ruth Ragels-SD Family Assistance Center for Military Service Members-Absent
- 19. Dawn Niehoff-MPD Dispatch-Absent
- 20. Steve Brink-Sheriff
  - a. The department has seen additional serious calls lately. All deputies are taking additional precautions.
  - b. A disinfectant sprayer is back ordered.
- 21. Micheal Peterson-Law-Absent
- 22. Randy Pratt-Amateur Radio Operators-Absent
- 23. Bob Everson-Mayor-Absent
- 24. Stephanie Ellwein-City Administrator-Absent
- 25. Denny Kiner-Commissioner-Absent
- 26. Susan Kiepke-Auditor-Absent
- 27. Dave Beintema-Elected Official-Absent
- 28. Kyle Croce-Environmental City of Mitchell-Absent
- 29. Gene Deinert-Environmental City of Mt. Vernon-Absent
- 30. Dave Duba-Environmental City of Ethan-Absent
- 31. Rebecca Giddens-Red Cross-Absent
- 32. John Sieverding-Education-Public-Absent
- 33. John Heemstra-Education-MTI
  - a. MTI HVAC is receiving additional maintenance.

- b. Seven students are currently isolated.
  - c. MTI is stressing influenza vaccinations, recommending students attend the POD.
  - d. SD has a Higher Education COVID-19 Workgroup, which plans for different scenarios.
- 34. Tom Puetz-Regional Emergency Management Coordinator-Absent
  - 35. Dan Muck-Community Member-Absent
  - 36. Dale Wilson-CHS-Absent
  - 37. Bill Middendorp-Salvation Army-Absent
  - 38. Jackie Horton-CASA-Absent
  - 39. Andy Mentele-S.A.R.-Absent
  - 40. Rusty Weinberg-HWY Dept.-Absent
  - 41. Don Huber (Hanson County)/Skyler Kehn (Aurora County)-Emergency Management
    - a. Sklyer requested current information on quarantine times, which is still 14 days.
  - 42. Jenna Auch-County Health Nurse Office-Absent
  - 43. Vacant-DWU Nursing Department
  - 44. Adam Kjerstad-Pastor-Absent
  - 45. Dave Kluth (Mt. Vernon) / Dan Schmidt (Ethan)-Fire-Absent
  - 46. Vacant-Ethan Town Board
  - 47. JP Skelly-Media-Absent
  - 48. Comments from the Committee
  - 49. Next meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2020 @ 10:30.
  - 50. Adjourn the Meeting.
    - a. Motion by Marius, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Chairman Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

10/14/2020