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LEPC Minutes
October 13, 2021 @ 10:30 A.M.

Chairperson: Marius Laursen Vice Chairperson: Steve Harr Secretary: Mark Jenniges

1. Welcome-Sign In. Call in Number is 1-866-990-6338. The Conference ID is 12705.
2. Approval of the amended Agenda.
 - a. Motion by Mark, 2nd by Vicki to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Approval of the previous minutes.
 - a. Motion by Steve, 2nd by Vicki to approve the previous minutes. Motion carried.
4. 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 2021 grant: \$1,251.04
 - ii. Expended: \$1,060.40
 - iii. Remaining: \$190.64
 - iv. The new grant application has been received. Jeff will complete and get to Marius to sign.
 - b. Motion by Mark, 2nd by Steve to approve the financial status. Motion carried.
5. Public Input-None.
6. Remediation/HAZMAT Issues
 - a. 9-25-21-POET-Urea delivery, upon delivery the hose on the truck broke and approximately 60 gallons of Urea spilled onto the concrete. Floor dry was applied, and the contents were disposed of. No stormwater was impacted.
 - b. 10-6-21-Case #2021.089-Edinger-Closure Report-165 gallons of roundup spilled in gravel yard, which was excavated and taken to the Pukwana Landfill. Soil samples sent to DANR lab and case closed.
 - c. 10-12-21-CHS Closure Report from June-84 gallons spilled, excavated, and taken to landfill.
 - d. Shortly after the meeting, an email was received from DANR that Graham Good Year had not returned any of the required paperwork and proof of clean up from the recent fire.
7. Administrative and SLA Requirement
 - a. Quarterly Report
 - b. LCAR completed by December 1st.
 - c. County Contacts by December 31st.
8. Current Road Closures
 - a. Jim River Bridge at the Davison/Hanson County line on Shannard Road is closed till approximately October 18th.
 - b. 394th Avenue between 248th and 249th Street.
 - c. 397th Avenue between 258th and 259th Street-Replacement culvert to be completed November 1st.
 - d. State-HW 42-Jim River Bridge Replacement East of Ethan in Hutchinson County-Bridge will be closed during construction, which has been extended into next year.
9. Upcoming Road Closures:
 - a. 2021 County-Rehab a bridge just north of the Gary Busmuss farm, between 249th and 250th. (delayed)
 - b. 2021 State-HW 44-Parkston West-Shoulder widening project-Traffic will be maintained using flaggers.

- c. 2024 State-HW 37 from Main Street to airport road reconstruction-Traffic will be maintained to allow both directions.
 - d. 2024 State-HW 38 Alexandria Intersection to Spencer Quarry-Shoulder Widening/grading project-Traffic will have flaggers.
 - e. Future-City-Foster Bridge
 - f. Future-City-Canal Bridge
10. Jeff Bathke-P&Z/Drainage/EM
- a. Jeff introduced the new deputy in the office, Karen Wegleitner.
 - b. The Davison County and surrounding area POD will be held at the Corn Palace on October 19th from 3:00-7:00PM. Vaccines are available for children 6 months-18 years of age and limited vaccine is available for adults. The consent form is on the county website.
 - c. Jeff will be out of the office from noon on October 14th, returning late the 29th. The Sheriff's Office will cover EM duties during this time.
11. Karen Wegleitner-Deputy P&Z/Drainage/EM
- a. Karen introduced herself as the new Deputy for the department. She can be reached @ karenw@davisoncounty.org, in the office @ 995-8640 or on her cell @ 299-6059.
12. Becky Pitz/Sarah Blaine-POET-Absent
13. Marius Laursen/Shannon Sandoval-MFD
- a. The FD/EMS is seeing approximately 1-2 COVID cases per day. Employee exposure is being monitored.
 - b. A basement fire occurred Sunday evening, which was put out quickly.
 - c. The FD will be completing HAZMAT Training on-line.
 - d. The FD will be hosting a flood/water rescue training next spring.
14. Mike Koster/Dean Knippling-MPD-Absent
15. Vicki Lehrman-Avera
- a. The hospital is averaging 5-6 inpatient cases of COVID, which is manageable.
 - b. Some are being treated in the Emergency Department, and patients are of a wide range of ages.
 - c. There have been some PPE shortages, but Avera is able to order from other companies and have not experienced any shortfalls.
 - d. The state COVID numbers are at 13.5%, down from 14.1%. Davison County is at 9.3%, down from 11.1%; so, numbers are moving in the right direction.
 - e. RSV cases are increasing.
 - f. The helipad construction is almost complete, with some final touches left.
16. Petar Mirkovic-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 Harr-Sheriff
- a. The Sheriff introduced Tim Reitzel, the new Chief Deputy. Tim is learning his new administrative duties.
 - b. The Sheriff's Office will need some immediate repairs due to mold found in the wall.
 - c. A three-day trial is scheduled for at the courthouse next week.
21. Micheal Peterson-Law-Absent
22. Randy Pratt-Amateur Radio Operators
- a. Repairs were recently completed on several parts of the system in the state.
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
 - a. Dave will be assisting in the upcoming POD.
28. Joe Schroeder/Mark Jenniges-Environmental City of Mitchell
 - a. Mark will be assisting in the upcoming POD.
 - b. Davison Street is now open between 6th and 7th.
 - c. An unknown vehicle was seen in Mitchell with Search and Rescue lettering on it. It will be checked out to be sure this isn't misrepresenting Davison County Search and Rescue.
29. Gene Deinert-Environmental City of Mt. Vernon-Absent
30. Dave Duba-Environmental City of Ethan-Absent
31. Rebecca Giddens-Red Cross
 - a. A busy deployment season is winding down.
 - b. Red Cross is getting the message out how they can support the community.
 - c. Employees are still working from home until January, in person as needed.
32. John Sieverding-Education-Public-Absent
33. John Heemstra-Education-MTI-Absent
34. Adam Frerichs-Regional Emergency Management Coordinator-Absent
35. Dan Muck-Community Member-Absent
36. Dale Wilson-CHS-Absent
37. CPT Bill & CPT Deb Middendorp-Salvation Army
 - a. The Harvest Festival went well.
 - b. Food Pantry numbers are down.
 - c. The lunch program numbers are up to around 100 per day.
 - d. The rent/utility assistance requests are up.
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. The Aurora County Sheriff is retiring, so they will be short staffed until positions are filled.
 - b. The burn ban has been lifted.
42. Jenna Auch-County Health Nurse Office-Absent
43. Adam Kjerstad-Pastor-Absent
44. Dave Kluth (Mt. Vernon) / Dan Schmidt (Ethan)-Fire-Absent
45. JP Skelly-Media-Absent
46. Comments from the Committee
47. Next meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2021 @ 10:30 A.M.
48. Adjourn the Meeting.
 - a. Motion by Dave, 2nd by Steve to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Chairman Signature: 

Date: 12/18/2021