



Davison County Emergency Management
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LEPC Minutes
April 13, 2022 @ 10:30 A.M.

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

Call in Number is 1-866-990-6338. The Conference ID is 12705.

1. Welcome-Sign In.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
 - a. Motion by Mark, 2nd by Shannon to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Approval of the previous minutes.
 - a. Motion by Mark, 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 2022 grant: \$2,087.33
 - ii. Expended: \$353.52
 - iii. Remaining: \$1,733.81
 - b. Motion by Shannon, 2nd by Skyler to approve the financial status. Motion carried.
5. Public Input-None
6. Remediation/HAZMAT Issues
 - a. 3-28-22-POET Closure of Case # 2022.034.
7. Administrative and SLA Requirement
 - a. Quarterly Report is due May 1st.
 - b. Township Contact List will be submitted when compiled.
8. Current Road Closures
 - a. 394th Avenue between 248th and 249th Street.
 - b. 397th Avenue between 258th and 259th Street opened on November 4th.
 - c. State-HW 42-Jim River Bridge Replacement East of Ethan in Hutchinson County-Bridge will be closed during construction.
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 Bypass/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. Approval of Road Names
 - a. Jensen Design Build has requested approval of three road names. The plan was revised. Urbana Drive will extend south. Once it turns east, this will be named Sammy Davis Avenue. Once this turns back north, this will be named Dean Martin Court all the way into the cul-de-sac. The east/west road connecting Dean Martin Court to South Capital Street will be named Sinatra Avenue. Jeremy Jensen, the Developer was in attendance and agreed to the naming of the roads.
 - b. Motion by Mark, 2nd by Mike to approve the names. Motion carried.

11. Jeff Bathke-P&Z/Drainage/EM Director
 - a. Jeff explained the process Davison County uses for the Fire Danger Report, and noted we are currently under the threshold of 16, which is required to initiate a request for a burn ban. The summary, point system, and directions of how to access the various databases is located under the Burn Ban Information Section @ <http://www.davisoncounty.org/departments/emergency-management/>
12. Karen Wegleitner-P&Z/Drainage/EM Deputy
 - a. Karen shared Davison County Emergency Management is once again hosting a Weather Awareness Training, which will be facilitated by the US National Weather Service Sioux Falls South Dakota. All are welcome. The event will be at 7:00 PM at the Amphitheater (Tech Center) at Mitchell Technical College on April 13, 2022.
13. Becky Pitz/Sarah Blaine-POET
 - a. Sarah explained the open house went well. POET will try to do another one in the next few months for those who missed it.
 - b. POET had three recent spills, none which were major, and all were resolved.
14. Marius Laursen/Shannon Sandoval-MFD
 - a. Marius explained there have been several fires that started out controlled burns but got out of hand. However, there were not any in the last 7 days.
 - b. COVID numbers continue to come down.
 - c. Shannon has been completing building inspections for future cannabis facilities.
 - d. Shannon will be training recipients of the Stop the Bleed Kits.
15. Mike Koster/Dean Knippling-MPD
 - a. Although COVID numbers are decreasing, staff shortages are still being affected by COVID.
 - b. The PD is in need of dispatchers.
16. Vicki Lehrman-Avera
 - a. COVID numbers are decreasing, including inpatient at the hospital. Most cases are Omicron, which has a high spread rate, but a low hospitalization rate. Effective treatment is available.
 - b. Vicki will be retiring soon but will remain on staff as needed. She will bring her replacements to future meetings.
17. Petar Mirkovic-Health-Absent
18. Michelle Carpenter/Roswitha Konz-Health-Absent
19. Ruth Ragels-SD Family Assistance Center for Military Service Members
 - a. April is the Month of the Military Child, which aims to support children of active military or Veterans. Free movie tickets are available to any child eighteen and younger.
 - b. Ruth continues to support active military and Veterans with any needs they have.
20. Dawn Niehoff-MPD Dispatch-Absent
21. Steve Harr/Tim Reitzel-Sheriff's Office
 - a. The Sheriff's Office had four in attendance at the POET open house.
 - b. The Sheriff's Office has responded to grass fires.
22. Micheal Peterson-Highway Patrol-Absent
23. Randy Pratt-Amateur Radio Operators-Absent
24. Bob Everson-Mayor-Absent
25. Stephanie Ellwein-City Administrator-Absent
26. Denny Kiner-Commissioner-Absent
27. Susan Kiepke-Auditor-Absent
28. Dave Beintema-Elected Official
 - a. No additional comments.
29. Joe Schroeder/Mark Jenniges-Environmental City of Mitchell
 - a. Agronomy Plus will be adding liquid fertilizer tanks at their facility on 254th.
 - b. FEMA has released the new Floodplain maps, which will be reviewed for comment.

30. Gene Deinert-Environmental City of Mt. Vernon-Absent
31. Dave Duba-Environmental City of Ethan-Absent
32. Robert Reuland-Red Cross-Absent
33. John Sieverding-Education-Public-Absent
34. John Heemstra-Education-MTI-Absent
35. Adam Frerichs-Regional Emergency Management Coordinator
 - a. Bird Flu is affecting the number of eggs and chicken available to the public.
 - b. The State OEM will facilitate a training exercise Friday April 22nd in Yankton for the County Emergency Managers.
36. Dan Muck-Community Member-Absent
37. Andrew Miller-CHS-Absent
38. CPT Bill & CPT Deb Middendorp-Salvation Army-Absent
39. Jackie Horton-CASA-Absent
40. Andy Mentele-S.A.R.-Absent
41. Rusty Weinberg-HWY Dept.-Absent
42. Brandon Wingert (Hanson County)/Skyler Kehn (Aurora County)-Emergency Management
 - a. Aurora County has a burn ban. Some are trying to convince the Commission to let them burn anyway.
43. Jenna Auch-County Health Nurse Office-Absent
44. Adam Kjerstad-Pastor-Absent
45. Dave Kluth (Mt. Vernon) / Gregg Thibodeau (Ethan)-Fire-Absent
46. JP Skelly-Media-Absent
47. Comments from the Committee
48. Next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2022 @ 10:30 A.M.
49. Adjourn the Meeting.
 - a. Motion by Mike, 2nd by Shannon to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Chairman Signature: _____

Date: 5/11/2022