



Davison County Emergency Management
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LEPC Minutes
January 13, 2016 @ 10:30 A.M.

Chairman: Steve Brink Vice Chairman: Paul Morris Secretary: Jeff Bathke

1. Welcome
 - a. Since Steve Brink is absent, Paul Morris will run the meeting.
 - b. Paul asked for nominations for Chair. Paul Morris was nominated by Susan Kiepke, second by Dan Muck. With no other nominations Paul closed nominations for Chair. All voted aye. Motion carried.
 - c. Paul asked for nominations for Vice Chair. Steve Brink was nominated by Susan Kiepke, second by Dan Muck. With no other nominates Paul closed nominations for Vice Chair. All voted aye. Motion carried.
 - d. Jeff Bathke agreed to serve another term as Secretary.
2. Remediation/HAZMAT Issues
 - a. None
3. Jeff Bathke-P&Z/Drainage/EM (Absent)
4. Mark Jenniges-P&Z/Drainage/EM
 - a. No comments.
5. Ruth Ragels-SD Family Assistance Center Specialist
 - a. Explanation of benefits to Military Service Members during a disaster.
 - b. Works with Tri-care, VSO, and Red Cross.
6. Becky Pitz/Logan Teut-POET
 - a. No Comments.
7. Dale Wilson-CHS
 - a. No Comments.
8. Natalie Vandrongelen-County Health Nurse (Absent)
9. Vicki Lehrman-Avera
 - a. Avera will start moving out to Grasslands on the 14th of Feb and everything should be moved by the week of the 21st. They will be opening on March 6th for patients.
 - b. The Avera/DWU wellness center is now open.
 - c. They are looking at possible drills for this year and are leaning towards and evacuation drill.
10. Carey Brenner-Health (Absent)

11. Michelle Carpenter/Roswitha Konz-Health (Absent)

12. Lyndon Overweg/Mike Koster –MPD

- a. Mike reported they were approved for their Homeland Security Grant which they will be getting radios and bollards for around the building.
- b. The ERU was called out on the 23rd of December for the robbery suspects. A personal drone was used, but they are hoping SAR will get theirs to assist in the future.
- c. The MRAP is still under repair from the incident in Kimball and are told still another 3 to 5 weeks for repairs.
- d. They are also looking at funding for the MRAP to overhaul the radio system in it. Doing so would allow them to create radio patches from the vehicle and also possibly create and encrypted channel.

13. Marlene Haines-MPD Dispatch

- a. No comment.

14. Paul Morris/Marius Laursen–MFD

- a. There are 19 to 20 new projects going on in town. Some of the big ones are Coke, Firesteel, Grace Baptist, Pheasant Ridge, and many more.
- b. In November of 2014 the city passed an ordinance for multipurpose housing. They have since set up an inspection program. He just finished the Reimnitz facilities which had minor issues that were fixed immediately.
- c. They have been working up and down main street as of late making sure the businesses are up to code as well and they credit their continued efforts as the reason their hasn't been a fire in 5 going on 6 years, knock on wood.
- d. Marius is working on continuing his education and in the process working on rewriting the EOP.

15. Steve Brink-Sheriff (Absent)

16. Robert Mayer-Law (Absent)

17. Jerry Toomey-Mayor (Absent)

18. Stephanie Ellwein-City Administrator (Absent)

19. Denny Kiner-Commissioner (Absent)

20. Susan Kiepke-Auditor

- a. Commission just approved the funding for SAR for 3 new dive suits. All of it will be reimbursed by a Homeland Security Grant.
- b. Working on getting a grant of \$2,000 to start a Health & Wellness course for the employees.

21. Tim McGannon-Environmental (Absent)

22. Gene Deinert-Environmental (Absent)
23. Brett Scott-Environmental (Absent)
24. Majors Gary & Vickie Cole-Salvation Army (Absent)
25. Summer Geraets-Red Cross (Absent)
26. Jackie Horton-CASA (Absent)
27. Andy Mentele-S.A.R.
- a. The 3 dive suits will help SAR become its own dive entity. Currently have 2 certified divers and 3 or 4 others are beginning the process. Next year they hope to get 3 more dive suits.
 - b. Still working on acquiring a drone. The one originally in mind is no longer available but that is possibly a blessing since there is so much more technology out there with them. They are looking forward to purchasing one and using it to help in any way they can.
28. Dan Muck-Education
- a. They have purchased 3 JLG all terrain man lifts and a shuttle lift crane capable of a 17,000 lbs. lift. All have trailers and are available if needed.
 - b. Looking into different options for translation by phone.
29. Rusty Weinberg-HWY Dept. (Absent)
30. Kevin Kayser/Ernie Anderson/David Baker-Emergency Management (Absent)
31. Dave Beintema-Emergency Management
- a. Mitchell will be hosting a Rapid Tag class in February. These will help to log hours during disasters. Davison County will have one to use.
 - b. The current weather patterns are holding true to what was predicted for the winter. They are predicting a more than average severe weather in the spring.
32. Adam Kjerstad-Pastor (Absent)
33. Brian McClure/Dennis Walz-Fire (Absent)
34. Robert Fitzgerald-Ethan Town Board (Absent)
35. JP Skelly-Media (Absent)
36. Comments from the Committee
37. Next meeting was scheduled for February 10, 2016 @ 10:30 A.M.

Chairman Signature: _____

Date: _____