

Davison County Emergency Management 200 E. 4th Ave. Mitchell, SD 57301-2631 Phone (605) 995-8640

LEPC Minutes March 12, 2025 @ 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 18809.

- 1. Welcome-Sign In
- 2. Approval of the Agenda.
 - a. Motion by Steve, 2nd by Dean to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- 3. Approval of the previous minutes.
 - a. Motion by Mark, 2nd by Dean 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 EM and Search and Rescue vehicles.
 - i. Amount of 2025 grant: \$1,765.72 (\$563 more than last year)
 - ii. 2024 carry over: \$0
 - iii. Expended: \$533.61
 - iv. Remaining: \$1,232.11
 - b. Motion by Steve, 2nd by Mark to accept financial status. Motion carried.
- 5. Public Input
- 6. Remediation/HAZMAT Issues
 - a. None
- 7. Administrative and LEMPG Requirement
 - a. Yearly:
 - i. Several items must be completed due to the beginning of the fiscal year.
 - 1. Township contacts by March 31, 2025.
 - 2. 2nd Quarter report due April 30, 2025.
- 8. Current Road Closures
 - a. No known road closures
- 9. Upcoming Road Closures:
 - a. HW 37 from Bypass/Main Street to airport road reconstruction, shared use path and lighting project-Traffic will be maintained to allow both directions. The work will take two years and be completed in sections.
 - b. HWY 42-Resurfacing from Ethan to the East for 24 miles.
 - c. 399th Ave. between 258th and 259th St. will be closed starting Spring of 2025 due to a bridge replacement.
 - d. 401st Ave. between 263rd and 264th St. will be closed starting Spring of 2025 due to a bridge replacement.
 - e. The James River bridge on HWY 38 will be closed for three months over the summer of 2025.
 - f. I-90 from Betts Road to Mt. Vernon will receive drainage repair work in 2026.
 - g. HWY 38 from Foster to Riverside in 2027. The road will remain open.
 - h. HWY 38 from Riverside Road to Spencer will be graded in 2027 and resurfaced in 2028.
- 10. Jeff Bathke-P&Z/Drainage/EM Director-Absent
- 11. Karen Wegleitner-P&Z/Drainage/EM Deputy
 - a. Karen reported the National Weather Service and the Emergency Management Office will host the Severe Weather Training on March 20th at 6:30 PM at Mitchell Technical College.
- 12. Kelly Kjelden/Matthew Burk-POET-Absent

- 13. Pat Gathman/Bob Way-High Plains Processing-Absent
- 14. Dan Pollreisz/Tiffany Boehmer-MFD
 - a. Tiffany addressed the proposed ambulance district and advised any questions to be directed to herself or the fire chief.
- 15. Dean Knippling/Casey Tegethoff
 - a. No additional comments.
- 16. Marius Laursen-Avera
 - a. Marius reported there are no cases of measles but continues to see COVID, RSV, and the flu.
- 17. Michelle Carpenter/Roswitha Konz-Health
 - a. Michelle reported the crisis center has slowed but is going well.
- 18. Steve Harr-Sheriff/Tim Reitzel-Chief Deputy
 - a. Tim reported they've received lots of calls for semi accidents in the last month with no hazmat issues.
- 19. Blake Richters-Highway Patrol-Absent
- 20. Joe Schroeder/Mark Jenniges-Environmental City of Mitchell
 - a. Mark reported the Floodplain Ordinance will be revised and the first reading will be on March 17th. The Floodplain Ordinance will take effect on May 6, 2025.
- 21. Randy Pratt-Amateur Radio Operators-Absent
- 22. Adam Frerichs-Regional Emergency Management Coordinator-Absent
- 23. LT Rod & LT Amber Morin-Salvation Army-Absent
- 24. Brandon Wingert (Hanson County)/Skyler Kehn (Aurora County)-Emergency Management-Absent
- 25. Dave Beintema-Elected Official-Absent
- 26. Petar Mirkovic-Health-Absent
- 27. Ruth Ragels-SD Family Assistance Center for Military Service Members-Absent
- 28. Dawn Niehoff-MPD Dispatch-Absent
- 29. Jordan Hanson-Mayor-Absent
- 30. Stephanie Ellwein-City Administrator-Absent
- 31. Denny Kiner-Commissioner-Absent
- 32. Ryan Stahl-Environmental City of Mt. Vernon-Absent
- 33. Bob Riggs-Environmental City of Ethan-Absent
- 34. Robert Reuland-Red Cross-Absent
- 35. John Sieverding-Education-Public-Absent
- 36. Kevin Adams-DWU
 - a. Kevin reported that the students are out for spring break.
- 37. Scott Fossum-Education-MTC-Absent
- 38. Peggy Tisdel-Community Member-Absent
- 39. Dan Muck-Community Member-Absent
- 40. Richard Sweeney-CHS-Absent
- 41. Jackie Horton-CASA-Absent
- 42. Andy Mentele-S.A.R.-Absent
- 43. Rusty Weinberg-HWY Dept.-Absent
- 44. Jenna Auch/Carissa Shinstine-Public Health Nursing Office
 - a. Jenna reported that the Department of Health would probably supply measles vaccinations if an outbreak occurred.
- 45. Dave Kluth (Mt. Vernon) / Izaak Goldammer (Ethan)-Fire-Absent
- 46. JP Skelly-Media-Absent
- 47. Comments from the Committee
- 48. Next meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2025, @ 10:30 A.M.

49. Adjourn the Meeting.
a. Motion by Mark, 2nd by Dean to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Chairperson Signature:

Date: 04/09/2025