

LAKE COUNTY Local Emergency Planning Committee / Citizen Corps

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MEETING: LEPC

DATE: April 18, 2018

Meeting called to order at 700pm by K.Reck, Chairperson

<u>Agenda</u> - approved Motion #1 J.Schneider,, #2 D. Wyatt. All were ayes.

<u>Reading of the Minutes</u> – Mayor Lindsay read minutes. Motion to approve minutes. #1 D. Hansen, #2 M.Nagel. All were ayes.

Treasurer Report

S. Gust presented the treasurer report. Motion to approve #1 T. Reck. #2 J.Schneider. All were ayes.

Old Business

AFG Grant –R.Minneart stated that the Air Pacs arrived and distributed to department with Madison and Wentworth completing training. Air pacs have been labeled with each department specific color. 2017 Hazmat trailer purchases- All equipment has come in . Discussion was had on purchasing extension hoses for the fuel caddies. Sodak has them in stock. R. Minnaert will purchase and submit voucher. R.Minnaert stated that he and D. Huntrods has completed an inventory list last year.

All Call Pager tone- J. Wegener stated the pagers were being programmed this evening to have an all call tone for mutual aid. The sound will have a "chirp". Marv from Raycon was present and fielded questions. He stated they should operate the same way.

First Net-K.Reck presented handouts regarding different mobile plans available from AT&T.

New Business

- <u>Incident Management Assistance Team, IMAT-</u> S.Gust reported that IMAT is planning a full scale exercise on May 9-10. S.Gust stated that the USDA exercise is for public safety and will be going to consist of an animal disease outbreak. Looking for volunteers. T. Hayford volunteered to participate. If anyone else is interested please contact S.Gust.
- <u>HLS (Homeland Security Grant</u>)-S.Gust reported the Sheriffs and Emergency Managers all met and reviewed all submission of requests; The anticipated award is approximately \$700,000. The projects identified are:
 - A BearCat SWAT vehicle to be kept in Minnehaha County but to be designated for Regional Use. The cost of the vehicle is app. \$359,170.
 - Portable xray machine for the coroner's office/Bomb squad outside of a hospital setting
 - Security school access
 - Stop the bleed kits

S.Gust stated that 25% of the grant requests need to be fulfilled by law enforcement.

- <u>Dive Rescue Training September 16-18</u> K.Reck reported 4 Divers will go to Lake Okoboji to complete training for certification.
- <u>Communication Working Group</u>- Recommends purchasing Kenwood radios rather than Motorola. Sheriff and City Law enforcement are currently being used with no problems noted. Question if the Medvac cards were made to put in each vehicle. R. Minneart and S. Gust will send out for group to review prior to printing them.
- <u>I am Responding/Active 911</u>-K.Reck introduced an alternative notification system to I am Responding called Active 911. The cost of Active 911 is less expensive. Informational handouts on Active 911 were provided. J. Wegener stated as long as the new system worked with the current CAD system she supported whatever the decision was. Discussion was had on the cost difference and what each plan

includes. It was decided to have a representative from Active 911 and I am Responding to compare the 2 plans before a decision would be made.

• <u>2018 Exercise Ideas</u>-With the hiring of a new Emergency Manager, it was decided to do a Table-Top for October's meeting to allow the new EM an opportunity to work with the group. It will be held at Wentworth. Ideas for the exercise can be emailed to K. Reck. Food will be provided.

Open Floor Discussion

- <u>Helena Chemical Changing name to Helena Agri Enterprises, LLC-</u>K. Reck presented a letter from the company stating the name change.
- <u>Emergency Manager Process-</u> S. Gust reported on the process for hiring a new EM. T. Walburg is acting EM and S. Gust along with other county employees are completing the administrative tasks. Applications have been received with interviews scheduled. Recommendations will be taken to the County Commission in May.
- <u>HMEP Grant Application-</u>S. Gust reported that this grant is to help with the cost of updating the Hazard Plan. R.Minnaert stated the plan had been recently updated and had all the requirements.
- <u>New Legislation-Public Input requirement-</u>Mayor Lindsay reported that starting July 1st, the agendas for commission meetings must reflect a time for general public concerns to be voiced.
- <u>Weather Awareness-</u>Callies stated that Severe Weather Awareness week is April 23-28th. April 25th, Wednesday, is the State-wide Tornado Warning exercise. Severe Weather Training will be held at East River on May 2nd from 7-9.
- <u>Red Cross Smoke Alarm Campaign-</u>D.Wall reported on the installation of smoke alarms to local communities in Ramona, Nunda, and Wentworth.
- <u>Lake County Chaplain-</u>T. Reck introduced the new Lake County Chaplain, Pastor Adam Welton. He is the new Pastor at St. Peter Lutheran Church. Pastor Welton is also a fire fighter. Discussion was had on the importance of having a chaplain to assist 1st responders with dealing with stressors they face. Everyone is encouraged to call Pastor Welton. His phone number is available through dispatch.

Meet adjourned at 820pm Kathy Hansen, Secretary