



**LAKE COUNTY**  
**Local Emergency Planning Committee / Citizen Corps**

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Meeting: LEPC

Date: 04-20-2022

Meeting called to order by Kory Reck, LEPC Chairperson at 7pm

Present : A. Denholm; K. Keffer, K. Wollmann, D. Hansen, M. Nagel, K. Hansen, T. Reck, A. Welton, T. Hayford, R. Minnaert, B. Christiansen, D. Reinicke, M. Askren, T. Toates, K Dybdahl, S. McClunahan

**Agenda:** No additions or deletions noted. #1 D. Reinicke #2 M.Nagel. All ayes.

**Introductions:** Roll call complete.

**Public Comments:** none

**Minutes:** Minutes were approved as written. #1 D. Reinicke #2 K. Wollman with the addendum of correction for the treasurer report to be \$19, 300.66 instead of \$19,290.66.

**Treasurer report:** Kody Keffer, presented treasurer report of \$19,300.66. Treasurer report approved. #1 D. Hansen #2 A. Denholm All Ayes.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **ACTIVE 911**

April Denholm stated that the maximum subscriptions have been used. She is going to start removing people if they have not activated the app instead of purchasing new subscriptions. If members want to download the app and it doesn't work let April know. The cost of Active 911 is based one subscription/person.

With the location on, 911 is able to map and see everyone who is responding to a call. When looking at the options available for location "foreground" tracks location while the app is open but if the app closes no activity is able to be seen. She requested everyone to choose background - Precise accuracy option, it maps the response for 15 min. Once you hit the button to respond and activate it then location of responder will show up on the map. She requests that the fire chiefs inform all their members.

Terry Reck posed a question if there was any way to make changes to the mapping due to road closures such as in floods or blizzards. April will check into this.

April stated a couple of instances when she opened the Chat feature that it cleared the chat history. She doesn't know why that happened but opened a ticket with Active 911.

### **2022 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT**

K.Keffer reported that the application for Courthouse/Sheriff's office access control and surveillance system was approved.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2022 WEATHER AWARENESS TRAINING SESSION/STORM SPOTTER TRAINING**

K. Keefer reported that Lake County has partnered with Brookings County to host training at SDSU Rotunda for anyone interested to attend. The cost is free. It is open to the public.

### **OPEN FLOOR DISCUSSION**

K. Reck asked about what type of Exercise is required this year. T. Hayford stated that the healthcare facilities, MRHS, Bethel would need to participate in a full scale exercise as it is required. Tate also stated that EMS is going to have to be required to participate in a Mass triage exercise. He is checking if completing this with the annual full scale exercise is adequate.

A Planning committee for the exercise was created. Members include Adam Welton, Tate Hayford, and Kody Keefer. Members were encouraged to offer ideas.

Kody reminded everyone of the pre-disaster mitigation meeting tomorrow, April 21<sup>st</sup>, at 10am at the 4H building. This will be an introduction to the planning process. Pre-disaster migration plans have to be reviewed/revised every 5 years to be eligible for Federal monies. Lake County's plan will expire in 2023.

T. Hayford reported that Tim Walburg had put in an application to the Homeland Security for Lucas Devices, a device to do compressions during a cardiac arrest event, for all the local fire departments. The application was denied but he is attempting to see if other funding would be available. The cost per device is approximately \$15,000. Tate stated every ambulance service in the State was awarded a new life-pac. If there is leftover money from the Homeland Security Grant then they would reapply for the Lucas devices.

Dan Hansen reported on the Nunda Suppression project. He stated that he is unable to get a quote on the pump due unavailability. K. Reck will check with his vendors at Dakota Ethanol and see if they can help get a pump.

Discussion by the group was had about the lack of storage water and options that could be used in the Nunda, Ramona, Rutland, and Winfred areas.

Discussion was had on changing time and date of LEPC meetings. At this time the meetings will remain at the same date/time as previously scheduled.

Terry Reck stated that Tate, Adam and himself are instructors for CPR/AED training in the County. There is no charge for this. He stated that the manikins they use need to be replaced. Discussion was had if this is something that the LEPC could purchase and stored at Wentworth Fire. They have completed numerous trainings for members of the County. No decision was made.

April provided a list to the Fire Chiefs of members of their departments that have not yet activated "Active 911".

Discussion was had on implementing a Burn Ban. K. Keefer explained that there is a County Ordinance that allows a burn ban to be implemented when the Grassland Fire Danger Index is very high or extreme or the National Weather Service places a Red Flag Warning for the County. K. Keefer communicates to the public via Facebook, on the Lake Co website and is available on the

NWS website. April stated she could use the Public Alerting App to push this information out to the public.

Adam Welton, Lake County Chaplain, provided the group information on a First Responder Assistance Program, FRAP, sponsored by Provident. It is for all volunteer firefighters, EMS, and their families in South Dakota to provide mental health services free of charge.

**Meeting Adjourned at 815pm**

#1 K.Keefer and #2M.Nagel All Ayes.

Respectfully Submitted  
Kathy Hansen  
LEPC Recording Secretary