



LAKE COUNTY
Local Emergency Planning Committee / Citizen Corps

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Meeting: LEPC
Date: 07-20-2022

Meeting called to order by Kody Keefer, Lake County Emergency Manager at 7pm

Present: April Denholm; Kody Keefer, Kelli. Wollmann, Dan Hansen, Myron Nagel, Kathy Hansen, Adam Welton; Brady Christiansen, Deb Reinicke, Mary Askren, Tom Toates, Kelly Dybdahl; Kory Reck; Mark Nelson OEM Regional Coordinator

Agenda: No additions or deletions noted. #1 D. Reinicke #2 K. Dybdahl. All ayes.

Introductions: Introduction of Mark Nelson, SD OEM Regional Coordinator

Public Comments: none

Minutes: Minutes were approved as written. #1 D. Reinicke #2 K. Dybdahl. All Ayes

Treasurer report: Kody Keefer reported that the LEPC had received the LEPC grant for \$2028.54. With the grant money included, treasurer report total as of 5/31/2022 is \$21, 329.20 Treasurer report approved. #1 D. Reinicke, #2 K. Wollman. All Ayes.

OLD BUSINESS

2022 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT

Dive Team Boat

Kody stated that the request for the Dive Team Boat had been approved. It should be arriving soon at SoDak Marina and get the motor mounted. He will keep everyone updated on the progress.

ACTIVE 911

April Denholm asked the members if they had heard of any issues with using Active 911. No one reported any issues.

Discussion was had on if the County should be planning to get away with pagers as everyone has smart phones. It was noted that portable radios are less expensive than the cost of pagers. April reported that the process for activating a response is; a page is sent out first, then a "call".

Discussion was had if it is a federal requirement for having 2 forms of communication. April stated that some fire departments download an app that they can receive a "tone". She stressed the importance of Dispatch/911 would needs feedback that responders are responding.

Full-Scale Exercise

Adam presented the scenario for the 2022 full scale exercise, a simulated "Mad-Town" event where someone drives thru the crowd and ends up in Gary's Bakery. The scenario would allow agencies, law enforcement, fire, EMS, Utilities, Dispatch, MRHS, and LTC to participate. The exercise planning committee will continue to work on the details, evaluators, volunteers for victims, closing of Main Street, date of exercise, etc...

NEW BUSINESS

HazMat Plan Progress

Kody stated that the County Commission approved HMEP grant to revise the Hazardous Response Plan that needs to be revised every 5 years. LEPC by-laws review/revisions is also included.

Pre-Hazard-Mitigation Plan progress update

Kody stated he is working with First District to complete the pre-disaster mitigation plan. This need to be reviewed/revised every 5 year to be eligible to receive Federal Monies. Date for completion April 2023.

Salamander ID Badges

Kody stated if departments have new people and need to get ID badges for them let him know. The Salamander software is ideally for resource tracking. Kody is researching purchasing a printer for the Salamander.

Weather Sirens in and around the County

Kody stated he has been working with "Blue Valley Public Safety out of Green Valley, Missouri to check and repair the sirens throughout the County. He stated that they did test the sirens after repairs were completed. Kody stated he would like to build a partnership with Thompson Electric out of Sioux Falls for PM of sirens.

OPEN FLOOR DISCUSSION

April Denholm brought up the recent incident in Madison regarding a high speed chase. She stated that they had received numerous calls to the non-emergency number at dispatch inquiring what was happening and the need to lock down. She stressed that when Dispatch receives numerous calls it compromises law enforcement. She stated that businesses need to make decisions to lockdown. She stated Dispatch does not have the authority to release information or direction. If the business is in jeopardy law enforcement/Dispatch would notify them, this would need to come from the authority.

April Denholm requested if the daily paging tests could be changed to bi-weekly. No decision made.

April Denholm reported the time-line for the upgrade to the Madison Tower is slated for completion in November of 2023.

Myron Nagel voiced frustration regarding the cost of purchasing new digital radios and a hardship to local fire departments. The State had purchased the original digital radios years ago Discussion was had on ideas to purchase new radios for fire departments. Suggestion was to see if there was an AFG program that would help with expenses as this would be a regional project to promote interoperable communications.

Meeting Adjourned at 810pm

#1 D. Reinicke and #2 D. Hansen All Ayes.

Respectfully Submitted
Kathy Hansen
LEPC Recording Secretary