

Hand County Local Emergency Planning Committee

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JUNE 2012 MINUTES

Call to Order: The LEPC was called to order by Doug DeBoer at 12:00 P.M.

Roll Call:

- Kendall Aldinger (SD-OEM), Nehemia Volquardsen, Rodney Gortmaker, Don Herman, Renae Phinney, Doug DeBoer, Ron Hoftiezer and Tom Lichty

Approval of Minutes:

- The reading of the minutes was approved upon motion by Doug DeBoer, 2nd by Renae Phinney. All members voted in favor thereof.

Bids, Claims Approved or Rejected:

- All bids, claims approved or rejected, on behalf of the LEPC are included in the county commission minutes.

Salaries of Officers and Employees:

- As required by SDCL 6-1-10, the yearly payroll paid to the LEPC was as follows: \$0.00.

Other matters Discussed and Action Taken:

- Training:
 - Doug DeBoer reported that the following ICS classes were presented by the Sheriff's Office: ICS-100, ICS-200 and ICS-700 is half over. The second session is June 21. IS-800 is to be taken by department heads and their next officer to be NIMS compliant. This will be discussed at the August LEPC meeting to see if it will be a group event or individual process.
 - ICS-300 and ICS-400 will only be offered if 15 or more participants commit to attending. Grant funding will not allow for smaller class sizes and the local agencies cannot afford to hire the instructors, or so he believes.
 - Haz-mat training can also be brought to the county so long as 15 or more students are present. Both the city and county have expressed interest but requested it be held off until fall or early winter. This would be held during the daytime.
- Hazardous Materials Spilled: Nehemia Volquardsen reported that the only spill was phosfume2 at Performance Seed which was consumed by the fire and did not require any clean up. OEM and DENR were notified.
- Homeland Security Grant: Nehemia Volquardsen reported an informational meeting for the region will be held on June 26th at Gettysburg. The previous projects were the fixed generator set at the courthouse and PPE for the Hand County EMTs. Both of these projects are underway but behind schedule.
- Assistance to Firefighters Grant: Nehemia Volquardsen reported that he distributed the information to the various chiefs by email.

Emergency Manager's Report:

- Nehemia Volquardsen reported that the planning process for the full scale exercise are underway. An invitation was extended to the members to join the planning committee. Presently Luke Wernsmann and Doug DeBoer are the only others on the committee. Some

ideas which have been offered include: School Crisis / Intervention, Missing person or walk-away, train derailment.

- Tom Lichty informed the group that Avera is hosting an "Intruder" training session for hospitals and interested others. Doug DeBoer expressed interest in attending as well. This will occur on July 10.

Communications:

- Doug DeBoer reported that backup generators have been purchased for the county's two remote sites to help when power is lost. It will still require human intervention to set up and operate the generators. DeBoer has made contact with local residents who help tend to the generators so travel time and frequencies of trips is reduced.
- Doug DeBoer reported that the county has had great success with the NIXLE notification system. The free system has over 200 users / subscribers now and sub groups have been added for the Sheriff's Office & Wessington Ambulance members. An invitation was sent to the various fire departments in the form of revised / current mutual aid agreements between the sheriff's office and the agencies for / in particular communications services. The sub groups are used for internal or administrative messages.
- Doug DeBoer also reminded the members that mutual aid agreements should be checked annually for accuracy and content.

Agency Reports:

- Public Health: Tom Lichty reported on the Intruder training and the progress at the hospital.
- Education: No report. Renae Phinney commented on the construction at the High School.
- Public Works:
 - City of Miller: No report
 - Hand County: No report
 - City of St. Lawrence: No report
 - City of Ree Heights: No report
- Public Safety:
 - Sheriff's Report: Doug DeBoer provided his report previously.
 - Miller Police Department: No Report
 - Highway Patrol: No report
 - Game Fish & Parks: No report
 - Fire Departments: No reports
 - Ambulance: No reports
- Private Sector: Don Herman reported that WheatGrowers has an AED available at their locations which are also available to the public for use. More businesses are providing this resource.
- Media / Public Information:
 - County Website: No change.
 - The Miller Press: No report

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the LECP and upon motion of Ron Hoftiezer, seconded by Don Herman to adjourn the meeting at 1:05 P.M. with the next meeting held on August 14, 2012 at 12:00 P.M. in the Miller Fireman's Hall.