

Buffalo County Minutes

Committee/Board: Local Emergency Planning Committee

Date of Meeting: Thursday, June 27, 2019

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tom Hentges at 2:00 p.m.

Members present: Mr. Tom Hentges, Mr. Bruce Fuerbringer, Mr. Michael Taylor, Mr. Dave Rynders, Ms. Roxann Halverson, Mr. David Brommerich, Mr. Leif Tolokken, Mr. Lee Engfer, Ms. April Loeffler, and Mr. Kelly Johnston.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were presented. The minutes of the March meeting were presented by Ms. Halverson. Mr. Brommerich wondered if the Facebook page was up and running. Mr. Fuerbringer indicated that he does have it created, but is waiting on the county to find a way to make it active without it being linked to his personal page. Mr. Engfer made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Carried.

Public Comments: None.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the LEPC Financial Report: The LEPC and Emergency Management budget were put together for this budget cycle, but may be separated back out in the future due to state requirements. At this time the budget should remain below the set level for the remainder of the year. There are talks of a slight decrease in funding for 2020. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the financial report, seconded by Ms. Burmeister. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the Spill Report: There was only one spill reported in the Nelson area involving a manure spill. This occurred in April and clean-up was completed.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Contracting for Level B Hazmat Response with the Menomonie Fire Department: Mr. Fuerbringer spoke with the Chief of the Menomonie Fire Department regarding contracting for services. The cost may be approximately \$500 per year with a \$1,000 fee if called out. Those details are still being worked on. With this agreement there are hazmat grants that could be applied for to help with obtaining equipment for the Menomonie Fire Department. Work will continue on this item and be brought back at a future meeting.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Emergency Management Directors Report: Mr. Fuerbringer highlighted meetings and trainings he has attended since the last meeting. He is still awaiting the 2018 check from the state, but this is typical. The truck is having some wiring issues, but these are being worked on and the truck is being

equipped for responding to incidents. Fire and EMS can call Mr. Fuerbringer and he can assist at the scene. There is an organization that is interested in the command trailer. A booth has been reserved at the fair for offices in the courthouse to utilize.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding LEPC Member Reports: Ms. Burmeister reported that a lifetime achievement award will be presented to Mr. Al Kochenderfer of the Scenic Valley Ambulance Service. It will be awarded in November in Wisconsin Dells.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the LEPC Chair Report: None.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the Next Meeting Date and Time: The next meeting will be September 19th at 2:00 p.m.

Adjourn: Mr. Engfer made a motion to adjourn at 2:41 p.m., seconded by Mr. Taylor. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Roxann M. Halverson
Buffalo County Clerk