

VERNON COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

May 3rd, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dennis Brault-Chairman, Glenda Sullivan, David Eggen, Cary Joholski, Kay Stanek

OTHERS ATTENDING: Brandon Larson- Vernon County Emergency Management Director

MEMBERS ABSENT:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brault at 11:30 a.m. Affirmation of the proper meeting notice was recited by Chairman Brault.

The minutes of the April 5th 2018 meeting have been reviewed by the committee as mailed. Cary Joholski made a motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Dennis Brault. All voted aye.

#4. Audience to Visitors: None

#5. Dave Bonafus- Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission:

- Dave is working on updating the Counties Multi-Hazard mitigation Plan he came to explain the plan, how it is put together, and how the process of completing the plan is done under the grant.
- Dave also explained that in the current plan there are 19 hazards and in the updated plan there will be 21 hazards identified.
- Surveys were sent out to all municipalities, fire, EMS, Highway dept, Health dept, to try and help identify mitigation needs or projects they would like to see done. He said that things identified may or may not be done but is basically a wish list.
- Dave also discussed how updating the plan is paid for. A grant was obtained to pay for the majority of the updates. The split is 75% paid by the Federal government, and 25% paid locally which is paid for by the Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission.
- Dave said he will have a draft of the plan completed by mid to late summer and will bring it the EM committee for review and approval, if it is approved it will go to an open public meeting and then to the full County Board for adoption. After that resolutions are sent out to all municipalities for them to adopt it themselves if they wish. If they do not adopt they will not qualify for mitigation grants.

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#6. Director's Report:

- Larson passed out his Current Projects list and went through he projects he is currently working on. Also because of the new committee members he gave an overview of everything that goes on.
- Also discussed that the 1st half for the EMPG grant is complete and everything has been sent into the State.

- Larson also discussed that had the 20 medical oxygen bottles have been filled and are back on the Mass Casualty trailer.
- Larson again discussed doing an ALICE training with the County Board members. The date has been reserved for August 21st and will most likely be a closed session training.
- Larson stated that he applied for and was approved for a grant to host a Hazardous Materials Technician course in the County, it has been postponed until July and August due to low registration numbers.
- Larson stated that he has created a new Volunteer Management Plan which is complete, he is also working on creating a Donations Management Plan.
- Current grants that Larson is working on is the EPCRA Grant for Hazmat equipment which just came out and is due at the end of May.
- Larson also discussed he is working on 3 Full Scale Active Shooter Exercises, 2 of them for Desoto School District and 1 for Viroqua Schools. Those all will be done in early June.
- Larson also mentioned all of the generators he has and that they are all running, and he runs them once a month.
- Larson had one Air Trailer response for Stoddard Fire for a trailer house fire. No air was needed though.

#7: APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS: Larson discussed what bills would be paid this month and will be putting together vouchers for them in them next week. Motion was made by David Eggen and seconded by Cary Joholski to approve the bills that Larson submits, Dennis will sign them when Larson puts them together next week.

#8: ANY OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: Dave Eggen asked about the current flooding on the Mississippi and if anything in the County was affected by it. Larson said that Blackhawk Park is closed due to water over the roadway at the entrance. As of right now that is all he is aware of.

#9: NEXT MEETING DATE: It was discussed that due to conflicts with other meeting that the committee would move the meeting date from the first Thursday of the month to the first Wednesday of the month at 930am

With no other business to discuss, Dave Eggen made a motion to adjourn with a second by Glenda Sullivan. All voted aye. Adjourned at 1238a.m.

The next Emergency Management Committee meeting will be held on June 13th, 2018 at 1100.