

VERNON COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

March 1st, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dennis Brault-Chairman, Lorn Goede , Frank McCoy, Cary Joholski

OTHERS ATTENDING: Brandon Larson- Vernon County Emergency Management Director

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Strudthoff (excused)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brault at 09:30 a.m. Affirmation of the proper meeting notice was recited by Chairman Brault.

The minutes of the January 4th 2018 meeting have been reviewed by the committee as mailed. David Strudthoff made a motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Lorn Goede. All voted aye.

#4. Audience to Visitors: None

#5. Diane McGinnis- Grants Update, Acquisition/Demolition grant process:

- Diane discussed that the County has received the FEMA payment of \$455,000 for the current grant. Also that an offer was made on a property in Bloomingdale for Acquisition/Demolition and that she is working on 1 more offer there in Bloomingdale. These offers were made with the DNR grant funds.
- Diane also discussed that she is working on writing the next FEMA grant now which is due on April 30th as well as the DNR grant that is due on March 15th. She is also working on appraisals for a property on Readstown, 1 below the Seasbranch dam, and 1 in the Town of Forest.
- Also discussed the troubles of determining priority on which properties to approach first, she said the property in Readstown was top priority right now.

#6. Director's Report:

- Larson passed out his Current Projects list and went through he projects he is currently working on. Some of these projects include Full Scale Active Shooter exercises for 2 schools, Emergency exercises for County buildings and employees which he is working with the Sheriff's Dept on, an ICS 300 Incident Command Class was held in February and a Basic Public Information Officer class is scheduled for July.
- Larson discussed that he facilitated 2 Active Shooter Tabletop exercises, 1 in January and 1 in February.
- All generators are up and running now after the Highway Dept worked on the military generator.

- Larson stated that he plans on attending a County Officials Workshop in May in Richland Center that covers various Roles and Responsibilities that County officials face. It is put on by the Wisconsin Counties Assoc.
- Also discussed that the current cycle for the EMPG grant is coming to a close at the end of the month and most of the paperwork is submitted to the State just working on a few smaller things to be submitted.
- Larson is also in the process of updating the emergency shelter list in the County, he has sent out new MOU's and facility amenity lists.
- Larson also discussed that there are 46 medical oxygen bottles on the Mass Casualty trailer but only 26 of them are filled. He stated that he feels that they should be all full because they cannot just be filled anywhere. They will also need to be hydro tested before they can be filled. It was agreed by the members present to have them filled in case of them being needed. Larson said he has talked to a company in La Crosse that can hydro test them and then Airgas in La Crosse can fill them. The total cost for this would be around \$1,100.
- The Governor's Conference is next week in Appleton on the 7th and 8th, Larson said although it is a requirement to attend he was unsure if he would make it due to expecting a baby on Monday. He has already talked with Paul from WEM and he is ok with missing due to the circumstances.
- Larson also discussed doing an ALICE training with the County Board members. Larson discussed what options there are and it was decided by the committee that we would do a full ALICE training in the summer. More details would be worked out between the committee and the Sheriff's Office.
- Larson stated that he applied for and was approved for a grant to host a Hazardous Materials Technician course in the County in April and May.

#7.RESPONSES MADE: Larson had 2 Air trailer responses, 1 was to Readstown for a structure fire and the other was to Hillsboro for a structure fire. He also had a HazMat situation from a car accident on Highway 14.

#8: 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 Frank McCoy and seconded by Lorn Goede to approve the bills that Larson submits, Dennis will sign them when Larson puts them together next week.

TRAINING:

#7: Any other items for discussion: Larson said that FEMA has scheduled a Kickapoo Watershed Discovery meeting on March 26th to begin reviewing flood risk data.

With no other business to discuss, Lorn Goede made a motion to adjourn with a second by Cary Joholski . All voted aye. Adjourned at 10:11a.m.

The next Emergency Management Committee meeting will be held on April 5th, 2018 at 0900.