

VERNON COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

October 2nd, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Eggen, Glenda Sullivan- Vice Chairperson, Kay Stanek

OTHERS ATTENDING: Brandon Larson- Vernon County Emergency Management, Roger Call – Vernon Co Board Supervisor

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cary Joholski (excused), Dennis Brault

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Glenda Sullivan at 09:31 a.m. Affirmation of the proper meeting notice was recited by Vice Chairperson Sullivan.

The minutes of the September 4th 2019 meeting have been reviewed by the committee as mailed. Dave Eggen made a motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Kay Stanek. All voted aye. 3-Yes, 0-No

#4. Audience to Visitors: None

#5. Discussion on flooding/ watershed studies:

- Larson discussed that he had made contact with Ben W from Land and Water as well as Senator Schilling, Congressman Ron Kind, Rep Loren Oldenburg, and Senator Baldwin's offices in regards to the watershed studies for the Coon Creek and West Fork of the Kickapoo. They all stated they are waiting to hear if approval is granted to complete the studies. These studies come after dams were breached in 2018. At this time not much else can be done. Some of them were going to reach out to the Federal level and see where things were at.

#6. Director's Report:

- Larson stated the 2019 EMGP and EPCRA grants are submitted for final approval and will be submitting the financial portion this month. He also stated the 2020 grants have been submitted and are under review.
- The 2019 EPCRA Hazmat equipment grant items have been ordered. The hazmat team will be getting 6 new SCBA air packs for the Iowa County division.
- Larson completed Security Action plan training for 2 new employees.
- An Emergency Operations Center (EOC) exercise will be held on Oct 29th for the EOC staff
- Larson is starting to working with Hillsboro schools, Hillsboro Police, and Vernon Co Sheriff's Office on an exercise this school year.
- The Command Post generator has been replaced with a new one and is working good, Larson also stated the new Air Trailer is here
- Larson stated he is finishing up revising the Emergency Operations Plan to take personal contact info out so the plan can go online.

- Larson stated the fair went well and it was closed for the first time due to severe weather.
- Larson discussed Continuity of Operations Plans for departments and the importance of them. He talked with committee on options to get these completed. Larson will talk with a few more people to come up with a plan.
- Larson stated he was nominated and accepted a position on the Wisconsin Emergency Management Association Board of Directors as the Southwest Region Representative.

#8. Responses Made:

- Air trailer went to Stoddard and Westby to refill their Cascade Air bottles.
- Drone callout to take pictures of an accident scene with the Sheriff's dept.

#9. Presentation/ Approval of Invoices and Vouchers: Larson discussed what bills would be paid this month and will be putting together vouchers for them. Larson will deliver them to the Clerk's office and Chairman Brault will sign them. Motion was made by Eggen and seconded by Stanek to approve the bills. All voted Aye. 3-Yes, 0-No

#10. Any other items for discussion for next meeting: None

#11. NEXT MEETING DATE: November 6th 2019 at 09:30am in the Erlandson building 1st floor conference room.

With no other business to discuss, Sullivan made a motion to adjourn with a second by Stanek. All voted aye. 3-Yes, 0-No Adjourned at 10:12a.m.

The next Emergency Management Committee meeting will be held on November 6th at 09:30a.m.