

VERNON COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

November 6th, 2019

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

OTHERS ATTENDING: Brandon Larson- Vernon County Emergency Management

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cary Joholski

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dennis Brault at 09:35a.m. Affirmation of the proper meeting notice was recited by Chairman Brault.

The minutes of the October 2nd 2019 meeting have been reviewed by the committee as mailed. Dave Eggen made a motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Glenda Sullivan. All voted aye. 4-Yes, 0-No

#4. Audience to Visitors: None

#5. Access and Functional Needs Assessment Survey:

- Larson discussed the possibility of creating an Access and Functional Needs database for those who may need help across the County. He stated he has talked with a couple of other Counties and have heard both sides, good and bad of having this database. Discussion was had and determined that Larson would keep trying to get information and if it is worth pursuing further he would bring it back to the committee.

#6. Director's Report:

- Larson discussed he is almost complete with editing the County Emergency Operations Plan to take out personal info to make the rest of the plan public.
- Larson discussed the Manure Spill Response Plan and that he met with other departments that would play a role and have come up with a plan to roll the plan out to farmers and the public through the winter.
- Larson stated he talked with Human Resources about how to move forward with Continuity of Operations Plans for the County. A plan has been made and will continue moving forward.
- Larson discussed the Emergency Operations Center exercise and that it went well and will have another one in the future and go a little more in depth.
- Larson stated he is working with a few schools on evacuation planning and reunification.
- Larson attended a Volunteer Reception Center exercise in La Crosse and will have a kit to set one up in the County.

- Larson will be hosting an ALICE training refresher with the Sheriff's Department this week.
- Larson stated Governor Evers issued an Energy Emergency for propane so delivery companies could expedite shipments, this is due to the late fall and farmers may need extra propane to dry grain.
- The week Nov. 4-8 is Winter Weather Awareness Week and Larson has been sending out information to all staff and social media.
- Vernon County is now a Weather Ready Nation Ambassador with The National Weather Service
- Larson mentioned again that he was nominated for a seat on the Wisconsin Emergency Management Association Board of Directors and recently took a seat on another State wide committee.

#8. Responses Made:

- HazMat call in Mineral Point for Hydrogen gas
- Drone callout to take pictures of continued flooding in Richland County

#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. 4-Yes, 0-No

#10. Any other items for discussion for next meeting: Eggen discussed the new radio upgrade that the Board of Supervisors passed and asked Larson his thoughts. Larson stated he was very excited and that it will help every Emergency Services Department across the County with better communications.

#11. NEXT MEETING DATE: December 4th 2019 at 11:00am in the Erlandson building 1st floor conference room.

With no other business to discuss, Eggen made a motion to adjourn with a second by Brault. All voted aye. 4-Yes, 0-No Adjourned at 10:34a.m.

The next Emergency Management Committee meeting will be held on December 4th at 11:00a.m.