

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

VERNON COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

April 15, 2019

The Vernon County Local Emergency Planning Committee met Monday, April 15, 2019 in the Basement Conference Room, Erlandson Office Building. Members present: Elizabeth Johnson, Chairperson, Linda Nederlo, David Robinson, Kevin Dean, Richard Wallin, Robert Moline, Ted Harris, Phil Hewitt, Shawna Stringham, Shery Koenig, Dennis Brault, Chad Buros, Ashley Olson, Sheriff John Spears and Brandon Larson, Emergency Management Director.

Visitors: Leif Tolkken, Dairyland Power Cooperative, Rod Ofte, Vernon Co Board Supervisor, Ben Wojahn, Vernon Co Land and Water, and Nikki Swayne Vernon County Corporation Counsel.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairperson Elizabeth Johnson.

Affirmation of Proper Meeting Notice. Public Notice of Meeting was properly advertised and published.

Approve Minutes from February 18, 2018 meeting. Sheriff Spears moved to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2018 meeting as mailed. Seconded by Shawna Stringham. Motion carried.

Audience to Visitors. No participation requested today.

Old Business:

- **Update on invoice for call 2017-02:**
Mr. Larson reported the he and Chad Buros met with the Crawford County LEPC and Crawford County will remain with Vernon County. Sheriff Spears had also talked with Sheriff McCullick. The matter of the outstanding bill will be referred to the Crawford County Board of Supervisors.

New Business:

Hazmat – Discussion /Possible Vote on:

- **Discussion on new committee members.** Motion by Sheriff Spears and seconded by Richard Wallin to accept Loren Oldenberg, Representative 96th District` as a member of the LEPC. Motion carried.
- **Farm Manure Spill Emergency Plan with Land and Water Department.** In view of recent flooding events, Ben Wojahn, Land and Water Department discussed the importance of having response plans for manure spills. The plans would include an inventory of available equipment. The plan developed by Kewaunee County was given to members for review. Shawna Stringham also said that septic tank haulers need to be included.
- **Discussion on HazMat call 2015-01.** Committee chair may entertain a motion to adjourn into closed session, pursuant to WI Statutes, Section 19.85 (1)(f) Considering

financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where para. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations.

- A. Roll call vote on the above motion and if approved, enter into closed session. Motion by Richard Wallin and seconded by David Robinson to enter into closed session. All voted aye – unanimous decision to enter into closed session. Motion carried.
- B. Reconvene into open session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Section 19.85(2) Roll call vote if motion is not unanimous. Motion by Richard Wallin and seconded by Chad Buros to enter into open session. Motion carried. Motion by Chad Buros and seconded by Dennis Brault that Mr. Larson and Corporation Counsel work to develop a policy regarding Hazmat charges and when appropriate to waive or reduce bills. Motion carried.
- **Discussion/Action on Purchase of new Mobile Radio for truck.** Motion by Sheriff Spears, seconded by Richard Wallin to purchase a new WISCOMM radio for the truck at a cost of \$2097.85. Motion carried.
- **Review bylaws.** This will be done at next meeting.
- **Responses made.** Three responses made – Gas Station – ice; Semi-truck rollover, Drug search in Mineral Point.

Public Health Preparedness. No report.

Other information for consideration not requiring a vote.

Next Meeting Date. The next meeting is scheduled for July 15, 2019 at 1:00 PM.

Adjournment. Motion by Chad Buros to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by David Robinson. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Nederlo, Acting Secretary