LaMoure County LEPC November 29, 2017

President Bob Flath called the LaMoure County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting to order on Thursday, November 29, 2017 at the Edgeley Ambulance Hall at 7:10PM. A meal was served from 6:30PM to 7:00PM for LEPC members. Members and guests present indicated by "X".

Bob Flath	County Commissioner	Х	Paul Ostendorf	Industry	X
Tony Hanson	Public Health		Lauren Worrel	Public Works	
Kimberly Robbins	Emergency Manager	Х	Todd Vogel	Industry	X
Art Hagebock	LaMoure Fire	Х	Sheriff Bob Fernandes	Sheriff's Dept	X
Dough Hintzman	Kulm Fire	Х	Patty Wood Bartle	Print Media – Edgeley Mail	
Alan Nitschke	Jud Fire	Х	Julianne Racine	County Extension Agent	X
Casey Pritchard	Verona Fire	Х	Tonya Duffy	State's Attorney	
Jon Alber	Marion Fire		Frank Balak	Public Health – CV Health District	X
Grant Mathern	Edgeley Fire	Х	Bill Brown	ND Dept of Emergency Services	X
Bob Vandenberg	County EMS Representative	Х			
Others attending: Sheriff Deputy Robert Henry, George Raccine,					

The secretary's report of the September 2017 meeting had been mailed, emailed and included as a handout for the meeting. President Flath requested a correction with the income being changed to \$1,400. Frank made a motion to approve as corrected. Al seconded. Motion approved. Treasurer's Report was reviewed with expenses from public notice publishing and Point of Distribution exercise. Frank made a motion to approve. Grant seconded. Report approved.

Old Business: The Personnel Identification badge system for first responders was discussed. Kimberly showed the Salamander system and an example of what first responder information can be placed on the badge. There was discussion on how we can work with neighboring counties on this as South Dakota has a statewide system. However, the cost of printing the badges was a concern. Since the badge printer was purchased through a State Homeland Security Grant, the printer owner is LaMoure County. Art asked about the cost of ink, badge and wear on the printer. Kimberly was unsure of the costs yet estimated close to \$1 per badge. Art made a motion that Kimberly would present a proposal to the LaMoure County Commission that \$2 a badge be charged for neighboring county first responders. Kimberly seconded the motion. Motion passed.

New Business: The TIER II reports for reporting year 2017 will be due March 1, 2018. The State of North Dakota Department of Emergency Services has sent more than one mailing informing businesses that have reported the previous years of many changes coming to the TIER II reports. In the past years, the LaMoure County LEPC has printed colored, trifold brochures that inform of TIER II reports. These brochures were mailed to the businesses that submit TIER II reports, all commercial property owners in the LaMoure County and any known businesses. Since the State has sent mailings in 2017, the LEPC will not repeat this action with brochures. However, there was much discussion on how do we inform new businesses in LaMoure County of TIER II reports. LaMoure County is not zoned and many townships are not zoned so it is unknown what new businesses develop. If someone asks for a 911 address, the county may or may not know it is a business. Kimberly and Julianne to look to State resources on how new businesses may be found in LaMoure County.

No Tier II or hazardous material incidents to discuss.

The three year training and exercise plan was reviewed. A Search and Rescue table top would be done tonight following the meeting. It was discussed that the County does not have a way to track ICS on-line classes completed. It was recommended that first responders print at least two copies of their ICS certificates – one for their respective first responder department and one for their personal file.

The 2017 State Homeland Grant Program funds were discussed as LaMoure County, Edgeley Fire Department, LaMoure School and LaMoure Emergency Response building are all scheduled to receive funding for physical assess control in the form of cameras and/or door locks. The LaMoure County Sheriff's Department has funding available for training and LaMoure County received funding to print the School Response Flip Chart Plans. There was discussion that the schools still need to work with the first responder groups when they do drills. For the 2018 State Homeland Security Grant programs, there was discussion on physical security emphasis with additional cameras and/or door locks.

Other Business:

George Racine provided an update on the Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN). The 911 tax did go up by \$0.50, which is then turned back to the State of North Dakota. However, the total cost of this SIRN project exceeds the funding of this additional tax. Thus, there is a concern where this funding will be found. The project is moving forward as George said the RFP has been released and it will be reviewed around March 2018. George said that the RFP is a public document. He also discussed FirstNet. This is a type of broadband communication to compliment radios. There was much concern on the funding and which path would be chosen for the new radio system. At this time, no dispatch center in the State would be closing yet Kimberly had a recent call from a county that was interested in moving toward State Radio. Overall, first responders were happy working with State Radio. Yet for large incidents involving many departments such as the October wildfires, State Radio communications didn't seem to meet the need.

Kimberly again discussed eDispatches early alerts. Then, she brought discussion that the CAD data is available for Fire Departments through eDispatches yet only LaMoure Fire is turned on since they have a CAD computer. HIPPA training was discussed as there is a significant amount of personal data provided on the CAD messages. If a Fire Department is interested in adding the CAD data to eDispatches, it was recommended they work with Kimberly on what information is needed.

The next meeting is the Joint Fire Chief/LEPC meeting and will be Tuesday, February 27th at 7PM in Edgeley with a meal at 6:30PM.

Chairman Bob Flath adjourned the meeting at 8:20PM.

Bill Brown led a Table Top Exercise from 8:20PM to 8:50PM. The Scenario was: an elderly man left his home in Edgeley and had not returned when he was scheduled. The scenario continued that the man's car was found approximately 20 miles from Edgeley in a rural area in LaMoure County. Minutes approved February 27, 2018.