

President Bob Flath called the LaMoure County LEPC meeting to order on February 6, 2014 at 9:15AM at the LaMoure County Courthouse. Meeting start was delayed as we waiting for additional members to attend. Members present indicated by "X". Tricia Kriel, Ransom County Emergency Manager joined the meeting at approximately 9:30AM.

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| Bob Flath        | County Commissioner        | X | Tracy Good            | Industry                           |   |
| Tony Hanson      | Public Health              |   | Kim Radermacher       | State Attorney                     |   |
| Kimberly Robbins | Emergency Manager          | X | Brent Mathern         | Industry                           |   |
| Hank Johnson     | Fire Chief – LaMoure       | X | Sheriff Bob Fernandes | Sheriff's Dept                     | X |
| Bob Vandenburg   | EMS – Kulm                 |   | Patty Wood Bartle     | Print/Media – Edgeley Mail         | X |
| Alan Nitschke    | Jud Fire                   |   | Frank Balak           | Public Health – CV Health District |   |
| Dave Maley       | Verona Fire/City of Verona |   | Lauren Worrel         | Public Works                       | X |

The secretary's report of the October 10, 2013 meeting had been mailed, emailed and attached to the agenda. President Flath accepted the minutes as presented. The treasurer's report showed invoices paid to the LaMoure Chronicle (\$15.12), Litchville Bulletin (\$13.86) and Edgeley Mail (\$29.70) for the Section 324 notice. An invoice was never received from the Kulm Messenger so Kimberly was asked to follow up if it was printed in that newspaper. A treasurer's balance was not provided.

#### Old Business:

The recent additions to the LaMoure County Emergency Operation Plan of the Search and Rescue and State Logistic and Resource Management Document were printed and placed in books. Those that received books prior to the additions will need to add these two documents.

The LaMoure County Multi-Hazard Mitigation planning continues. The public input survey was distributed to anyone that has not yet completed it. City jurisdictional meetings are being scheduled through South Central Dakota Regional Council and LaMoure and Jud are the last two meetings to be scheduled.

The State THIRA survey was completed by 8 individuals from LaMoure County. A summary of State findings was not available at this time.

A county-wide mutual aid agreement was discussed. The discussion focused on the rate addendum. This has caused some departments from other counties to not to sign the agreement. It was discussed if the FEMA approved rates for the said disaster could be used. The group also discussed using the highest rate to account for mileage for response vehicles. More research will be done on the addendum.

#### New Business:

As stated in old business, the LaMoure County Emergency Operation Plan updates are available.

The three year training and exercise plan was reviewed through 2017. The changes were made to reflect the Flood table top in February 2014 and a Pipeline table top in Fall 2014. Items suggested to be added were the anhydrous ammonia table top and full scale exercise, a fertilizer plant haz-mat incident and a feed plant dust explosion. The 2013 State Homeland Security Grant (SHSG) funds were also discussed as there will be a full scale exercise in Dickey County in May 2014 and one planned for LaMoure, Ransom, and Sargent before February 2015.

Three Radio operation and Bank 5 trainings/exercises were conducted with attendance from LaMoure Fire, LaMoure Ambulance, LaMoure County Public Health and Highway Department, LaMoure and Kulm police departments, and LaMoure and Kulm schools with two classes in LaMoure and one class in Kulm.

Again, it was mentioned that we will continue to promote the online courses for ICS 100 and 200 and not offer a class-room course. A Firefighter 1 course is being offered in Sargent County. The North Dakota Pipeline Association does have classes scheduled yet this year. They have also offered to come to LaMoure County and provide the course as long as we can provide a location and first responders to attend. It is recommended to host in Edgeley as a pipeline does stretch through LaMoure County following Highway 281 which would be Edgeley's Fire response district.

Next generation 9-1-1 information had been mailed. The First Net meeting was attended by Sheriff Fernandes, Police Chief Mattice, Ambulance/Fire representative Bob Vandenburg, and EM Kimberly Robbins. Sheriff Fernandes and Kimberly provided a short briefing from the meeting as what next steps are for the State and what technology may be changing for first responders in 5 to 15 years or sooner.

Sheriff Fernandes discussed the FY 2013 SHSG funds that will be used for exercises further. He explained that this will cover much broader training/exercise to include all critical incidents. The SLIC and DES have been supportive and attended the four county meetings as well as provided additional information for site assessment visits.

There were no Tier II incidents to report. The ND Department of Health Website [www.ndhealth.gov/ehs/spills](http://www.ndhealth.gov/ehs/spills) was mentioned as a resource to see what is current in the State for spills and also to look at history for our county. TIER II reports for 2013 are just starting to be received by fire departments. When reporting TIER II information, the company/industry provide a map yet they do not have to provide a tour to the fire department of the materials. Some departments take this upon themselves to familiarize with facilities.

Use of LEPC funds was discussed as well as there may be remaining SHSG funds available. The first responder list created in 2013 was reviewed. Sheriff Fernandes said the AEDs could be removed from the list as his department had purchased one and the other had been donated from community groups in Edgeley. Kimberly stated the EOC television should also be removed as it was purchased jointly between the Extension and DES office. She also gave a quick overview of what tools are available in the County EOC.

A new recommendation was a refrigerator/freezer that could be used by the Sheriff's office for biological hazards evidence. Computers for first responders were again discussed as a possibility to improve communications with State Radio and response times via mapping capabilities. Breaching tools for law enforcement to gain entrance into facilities were brought forward as a possible need. The spill kits ranging from \$300 to \$500, due to their limited nature, were not recommended for fire departments yet a possibility for the county highway department. It was mentioned that individual departments can come to the LEPC for funds for specific use and a request does not have to be to all departments or county wide. Pending the grant guidance from the remaining 2011/2012 SHSG, Kimberly would send an email requesting input.

The quarterly meeting would have been slated for May 1<sup>st</sup>; however, this is the date for the full scale school incident exercise in Oakes. It was discussed to cancel this meeting and hold the next meeting prior to a full scale school incident exercise this summer. Following that meeting, a meeting would be held in October, the first Thursday would be October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned by 10:15 AM. The tabletop exercise began by 10:45AM and was completed with lunch at approximately 12:15PM. Tricia Kriel, Ransom County Emergency Manager, facilitated the tabletop flood exercise.