

Breakfast items of donuts, yogurt, gluten free-items, fruit, coffee, juice and water were available prior to the meeting.

President Flath called the LaMoure County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) business meeting to order at 7:39AM on Thursday, December 7^h with a hybrid option of in person and virtual. In person was at the Edgeley Ambulance Hall and virtually the link was published incorrectly. The new link was sent as <https://meet.goto.com/777683157>

Members present indicated below:

1. Bob Flath	County Commissioner	X	14. Kathy Haag	Kulm Ambulance	
2. Jessica Duffy	Public Health	X	15. Jacob Olson	Industry	
3. Kimberly Robbins	Emergency Manager	X	16. Sheriff Fernandes	Sheriff's Dept	X (virtually)
4. Art Hagebock	Print Media/LaMoure Fire	X	17. Janice Shannon	Edgeley Ambulance Service	X
5. Doug Hintzman	Kulm Fire	X	18. Julianne Racine	County Extension Agent	X
6. Alan Nitschke	Jud Fire	X	19. Stefan Schoenfelder	Edgeley City Council/Fire	X
7. Mike Vogel	Verona Fire/LaMoure Fire		20. Darrick Nitschke	Transportation – LaMoure County Highway	
8. Greg Hanson	Marion Fire	X	Frank Balak	CV Health (non-voting)	
9. Grant Mathern	Edgeley Fire	X	Bill Brown	NDDes (non Voting)	X (virtually)
10. James Shockman	State's Attorney	X (virtually)	Others attending:	Clint Knudsen – Marion Fire	X
11. Nancy Noot	CVEMS of LaMoure	X		Jon Burger – ECI Bismarck	X
12. Zeb Mahin	City of Kulm/Kulm VFD	X			
13. Paul Ostendorf	Industry	X			

President Flath approved the agenda as presented.

Minutes from August meeting had been emailed and were available in print. Art made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Al Seconded. Motion passed.

Kimberly presented expenditures of the refund to Edgeley Ambulance for the overpayment and the meal from last meeting. The 2024 budget submitted to the County Commission was also submitted in the report. Jessica made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Art seconded. Motion passed.

Incidents: The incident reported last time was cleared by the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality. The owner confirmed this with an email to the Emergency Manager on October 13, 2023.

Training/Exercises: Kimberly reviewed the status of the Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP) for the next year. Julianne provided a brief update on the livestock plan and will ask committee members for help on livestock housing locations. The ICS 100 class will be in person in January. Paul made a motion that the LEPC spends \$100 to help with the costs of the meal for the ICS 100 class. Jessica seconded. The class will be held in LaMoure yet open county wide. Bill Brown stated he will not charge for any instructor fees. Motion passed. Edgeley Fire Department will help to host the Skywarn class this spring/summer of 2024.

Old Business: The equity project is still in Phase one with implementation to the schools. Kimberly will assist with preparing individuals to present the class. The updates of the LaMoure County Emergency Operation Plan have been made since the last meeting. The hazardous material annex covers the pipelines. Pipeline classes and trainings for 2024 were handed out.

Stefan provided the SIRN update. The TIER III section is now open for eligible reimbursement. The new radios should have the capability to be updated through wireless internet and very few have to be taken to a shop for updates. There is a concern of the maintenance cost of the statewide system. North Dakota ITD will be the lead of the new system.

New Business: Nancy made a motion to publish the Section 324 Notice in the three newspapers of LaMoure County. Stefan seconded. Motion passed.

There had been a request to add the Snow Emergency as a separate annex in the LaMoure County Emergency Operation Plan. Bob Flath explained that with further review of the situation, the plan should not be the focus yet Incident Command Training. The ICS 100 class will be offered in person as stated earlier and the LEPC will support it.

LaMoure County has submitted the grant paperwork to begin the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan update. The planning process will begin Fall of 2024 with the LEPC being on the planning team. Each City has signed to be committed to the plan.

Other Business: Kimberly discussed the Administrative Code changes proposed by the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services which would make ND State Radio out of compliance as of January 1, 2024. The proposed changes would also change paging services as well as other training requirements for first responders and rescue units. The committee expressed many

concerns with the proposed changes. The group did not know how or who would dispatch if the proposed change was made. Kimberly would go to Bismarck for the Administrative Code meeting on Monday.

Bob Flath discussed a promotion from Dickey Rural networks that now does not require a household to have a landline to have internet. The 911 lines are tracked and Kimberly was asked to look at the possible impact of this to the 911 county funding.

Another discussion was held on the number of auto-dial accident calls. The fire departments discussed that calls when a phone is lost and dropped yet the individual is not with the phone causes the department several hours, time and fuel to respond. Some calls can be tracked back to the phone owner and some cannot. When the phone owner is identified, it was discussed invoicing the responsible party for the responder department response similar to a fire that was not called in as a controlled burn.

A different discussion was held on auto-dial 9-1-1 from a shaken phone or a phone that accidentally calls 9-1-1. The group discussed what should be communicated to the public to prevent the number of accidental 9-1-1 calls. Kimberly suggested asking the ND 911 Association for communication tools or education for the public.

Next meeting date was tentative set for Thursday, February 29th at 7:30AM in Edgeley with breakfast items to be served.

President Flath adjourned the meeting at 8:35AM.

Jon Burger from ECI - Bismarck was available and they brought demonstration models to discuss the Motorola radio products and SIRN reimbursement.

Minutes approved 2/29/2024