

MINUTES
Meramec Regional Emergency Planning Committee
12:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 26, 2015
MRPC Office
4 Industrial Drive, St. James, MO 65559

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Kraig Bone called the March 26, 2015 meeting of the Meramec Regional Emergency Planning Committee to order at 12:45 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Larry Flesher, Kim Smith, Darrell Skiles, Janie Jadwin, Dan Dyer, Ken Ramsey, Andrea Rice, Susan Long, Richard Bray, John Lucas, Nicholas Hughey, Kraig Bone and Marvin Wright.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Leo Sanders, Bill Patt, Bob Hudson, Leo Dickey, Brad Nash, Allen Kimrey, Kris Bayless, Doug Drewel, Michael Dixon, Ron Hoffman, Josh Krull, Buz Harvey, Bruce Southard, Jamie Feldhacker, Margaret Biolsi, Ron Smith, Deborah Rhodes, Robert Williams, Wendy Squires, Doris Kauffman and Brad Barton.

STAFF & GUESTS PRESENT:

Brett Hendrix of SEMA, Lori Blatter of MERC, Brandon Rekus, Tammy Snodgrass, Mary Ann Gorrell, Jodie Branson and Shannon Coatney.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Andrea Rice made a motion to approve the agenda. Ken Ramsey seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Andrea Rice made a motion to approve the minutes from December 10, 2014 meeting. John Lucas seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Jodie Branson with MRPC presented the statement of revenues and expenditures through the month ended February 28, 2015.

Marvin Wright made a motion to approve the statement of revenues and expenditures through the month ended February 28, 2015. Larry Flesher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Jodie Branson with MRPC presented the revised budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

Andrea Rice made a motion to approve the revised budget as presented. Ken Ramsey seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Report on HMEP training grant activities.

Staff provided a report on the status of the HMEP grants. MERC is working on scheduling Awareness and Operations classes.

Staff reported that the Phelps County tabletop is running behind due to weather cancellation and rescheduling. The rescheduled tabletop will be held at MRPC on April 8 at 10:00 a.m.

Staff would like to see this lead to a full scale exercise.

Tier II forms have been coming in and staff plan on starting to work on the plan update in the next few months. Staff will be sending out a survey.

There was discussion on the issue that MERC is having with scheduling classes awarded through HMEP. MERC staff is having problems getting locals to respond for scheduling. The committee would like to have a protocol established that after three attempts at contact the class will go to the next group requesting it.

Andrea Rice made a motion to establish the protocol that after three attempts at contact the class be given to the next group requesting it. John Lucas seconded the motion; which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

REPORT FROM MERC REPRESENTATIVE:

Report was given by new MERC Director, Dean Marin, via telephone and Lori Blatter, MERC Planner. Mr. Martin stated that MERC has gone through some restructuring. The HMEP grant will be moved to the WebGrants online platform.

In the future if exercises are held, please let Ms. Blatter know, she will facilitate making sure MREPC gets credit for the exercise.

Chairman Kraig Bone encouraged the committee to step up and take advantage of classes offered. All training offered is on SEMA's website calendar.

REPORT FROM SEMA REPRESENTATIVE:

Brett Hendrix updated the committee that DPS has a new director, Lane Robert. SEMA is holding a Chempack training on April 29, 2015 at MRPC 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

REPORT FROM MDNR REPRESENTATIVE:

No report.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING MEETINGS:

The next MREPC meeting will be June 24, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Kraig Bone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Andrea Rice seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.