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REGION I RHSOC MEETING
Wednesday, October 26, 2016 – 1:00 p.m.
Meramec Regional Planning Commission
4 Industrial Drive ~ St. James, MO

MINUTES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Tabitha Stanfast led the committee in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and began the meeting at 1:08 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Morgan (P), Larry Flesher (P), Don Good (A), Adam Birdsong (P), Linda Kerr (A), Brad Armstrong (A), Joe Price (A), Randy Rowe (A), Israel Doba and Tabitha Stanfast (A).

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Scott Cason (P), Keith Steelman (P), Dan Cordova, A), Ron Long (P), Deborah Baker (P), Ron Smith (A), Gary Larson (P), Darrell Skiles (A), Tony Floyd (A), Bryan Lambeth (P), Michael Keen (P), Doug Yurecko (A), David Sewell (P), Deb Halinar (P) and Wendy Squires (A).

STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Tammy Snodgrass, Anne Freand, Cheryl Dupes and Linda Carroll (MRPC), Chelsey Call (Homeland Security), Kevin Virgin (Homeland Security), Matt Luetkemeyer (Div. of Fire Safety/Mutual Aid), Joni McCarter (OHS), Tom Charrette (MOSWIN), and Lyle Thomas (St. James).

MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA:

James Morgan made a motion to approve agenda of the November 1, 2016, HSOC meeting; seconded by Adam Birdsong. The motion carried.

MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES:

Linda Kerr made a motion to approve the July 21, 2016 minutes; seconded by Adam Birdsong. The motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP TURNOVER AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS:

Tabitha Stanfast went over the list of primary members whose terms have expired and introduced the incoming members. Outgoing members were presented with certificates of appreciation for their service to the committee.

Outgoing members: Scott Cason (EMD), Keith Steelman (Police Chief), Adam Birdsong (HRST), James Morgan (Mayor), Gary Larson (County Commissioner), David Sewell (Volunteer) and Wendy Squires (Hospital).

Incoming members: Randy Rowe (EMD), Chris Twitchel (Police Chief), Ron Smith (HRST), Darrell Skiles (County Commissioner), Joe Price (Volunteer), Brad Armstrong (Schools), Deb Halinar (Schools) and Lyle Thomas (Public Works).

James Morgan has agreed to serve as an alternate until next Spring.

Tammy Snodgrass noted that she has been in contact with Merlyn Johnson, Superintendent of St. James R-I Schools, to assess his interest in representing schools on the committee.

OHS Updates/HSAC Other Initiatives:

Chelsey Call, grants monitoring representative with Homeland Security, reported that the 2014 grant funds were spent down to the penny in both rounds. Funds for the 2015 grant year which ends in August 2017 are 60 percent spent. The 2016 grant year will end August 31, 2018 and those funds remain untouched at this time.

AG UPDATE:

No report.

DNR UPDATE:

No report.

INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE:

Tom Charrette with MOSWIN reported that he has received several calls about the metal piece on the antennas of the MOSWIN radios coming loose and getting lost. He informed the committee that they should crank those pieces down securely to prevent future losses. He also noted that 140-170 on the band was designed for mobiles, not portables. Training is available for anyone who needs it and he would be happy to make those arrangements.

MASS CARE/EMERGENCY HUMAN SERVICES:

No report

MO STATE MUTUAL AID UPDATE:

Matt Leutekemeyer, Division of Fire Safety/Mutual Aid, spoke on incident reporting. Although it is not mandatory, it is a requirement in order for a department to receive grants or training. Approximately 70 percent of fire departments participate in reporting their incidents. It was noted that 600 out of 900 departments are registered in the mutual aid system with annual registration required. Registering in the system helps with services during mutual aid calls. He also spoke briefly about IST coming back on-line.

LAW MUTUAL AID PLAN UPDATE:

It has been revised and is out for peer review. One change in the plan is CDC's requirement regarding strategic national pods. They want a checklist for the pods. More clarification will be sent out once it becomes available.

SEMA REGION I AREA COORDINATOR UPDATES:

Tammy Snodgrass read an email from Brett Hendrix. The next Emergency Management Stakeholders meeting will be Dec. 1, 2016 in Vichy. They will be celebrating Maries County EMD Ken Ramsey's retirement. Web EOC training is also scheduled and those interested can register on the SEMA website. All training will be held from 8 am to noon and dates are: Nov. 4 in Rolla, Nov. 5 in Vienna, Dec. 2 in Salem and Dec. 3 in Cuba.

RHSOC OLD BUSINESS

As noted earlier, FY14 funds are completely closed and final reports have been submitted. Within this last week we've received notice that FY16 budgets were in the system and we can move forward with those projects.

Tammy reported that Lyle Thomas left MRPC in August and introduced Anne Freand who was hired as his replacement and just started this week.

Tammy said she had received questions on the badging system and indicated that we are still struggling with some issues. It's likely a compatibility issue but we are working on finding a fix.

We are seeking the board's assistance in trying to fill several vacancies. Tammy indicated she had received suggestions for possible candidates for school and private industry but if anyone had any other suggestions she would welcome their input.

RHSOC NEW BUSINESS:

The proposed by-law revision is still under review at the state level. If approved, a regional vote will take place in January.

THIRA:

Tammy reported that THIRA is due around May and that there is a new on-line system, however, there are no details on the new system at this time. Lyle Thomas will chair the THIRA committee.

Committee members were provided with a copy of proposed by-law revisions. Joni McCarter reported that the revisions are still under review at the state level. If approved at the state level, a regional vote is likely to

take place in January.

SCHEDULE MEETING DATES AND DEADLINES:

Upcoming meetings for Region I RHSOC:

January 26, 2016 (Scott will be at the meeting to discuss TIRA)\

April 20, 2016

July 20, 2016

All meeting times will be 1:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

Linda Kerr made a motion to adjourn; Adam Birdsong seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:42 p.m.