

REGION I RHSOC MEETING

Thursday, April 28, 2022 – 1:00 p.m. Meramec Regional Planning Commission 4 Industrial Drive ~ St. James, MO

MINUTES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Ron Smith (A) led the committee in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and began the meeting by welcoming committee members and guests at 1:04 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Members participating in person were Ron Smith (P), Brad Woods, Linda Kerr (P), David Miller (P), Glen Smith (A), Regina Utley (A), Dan Cordova (P) and Gary Hicks (P).

Members participating via Zoom or conference call were Don Good (A), John Lochner (A), and David Sewell (A).

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Tony Floyd (A), Sam Allen (A), Darrell Skiles (A), Adam Birdsong (P), Stacey Smith (P), Doug Yurecko (P), Byron Dudley (P), Brad Armstrong (A), Nick Pappas (A), Deborah Baker, Brad England (A), Randy Rowe (P), Connie Miles (A), Jimmy Bench (P), Deborah Decker (P), Tabitha Stanfast (P), and Darin Pryor (P).

STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Staff and guests participating in person were Tammy Snodgrass, Samantha Sherman and Linda Carroll (MRPC), Brett Hendrix (SEMA), Terry Kaas (Laclede Cert) and Mike Shempert (St. Robert Fire). Guests participating via Zoom were, Kristin Kayser (OHS); Chiquita Small (SEMA), Kevin Virgin (Missouri Dept. of Homeland Security) and Lt. Greg Dubois (Missouri Highway Patrol, Troop I).

MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA:

David Miller made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Don Good. The motion carried.

MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES:

Linda Kerr made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by David Miller. The motion carried.

OHS Update

Kristin Kayser provided a handout on OHS updates. She highlighted the FY 2022 Homeland Security Grant Program National Priorities and reviewed FY 2022 Homeland Security Program Regionalization Tentative Application schedule.

Ms. Kayser also mentioned the FY 2022 SHSP Application Workshop that is available on the DPS website, https://dps.mo.gov/dir/programs/ohs/grantstraining/. She encouraged everyone to review this site prior to submitting an application to ensure all requirements are met.

She also briefly reviewed application peer reviewer and scorer information, reminding the committee the process requires a least five reviewers.

Ms. Kayser also mentioned the FY 2022 SHSP Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LEPTA). She indicated the application should be available in September and said it would have a quick turnaround.

Ag Updates

No report was given.

DNR Updates

Anne will share with the committee, via email, a handout she had received from the Department of Natural Resources (MoDNR). The handout addressed the avian influenza and African swine fever and gave an overview of the national situation.

Interoperable Communications Update

Kevin Virgin reported that a mutual aid virtual town hall meeting would be held on May 5, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. with participation from fire, EMS and law enforcement. Participants will receive information on updates to the statewide plan as well as any updates to fire map, EMS Annex and MULE Map Annex.

He said he is still waiting on the 2022 Whole Community Input Form. Chairman Smith asked if the form was the same as last year. Mr. Virgin said it was not the same. He said the form changes every year in its format. To clarify, Chairman Smith said they could use last year's form as a data source but wouldn't be able to import last year's information into this year's form. Mr. Virgin said that was correct.

Mr. Virgin also highlighted the THIRA/SPA and noted he had recently sent out the scenario list. He encouraged the committee to choose the scenarios most relevant to the region. When asked how many scenarios were required, he suggested anywhere from one to three. He said committees are being encouraged to complete as many as they felt comfortable with and could get completed within the timeframe. THIRA updates are due October 1, 2022. Chairman Smith asked if cyber was a required scenario and Mr. Virgin replied he had not been advised that it was a requirement for Missouri and that it wasn't a requirement for him. The committee was informed the state would covering all seven scenarios in its THIRA. There are some WebEx times set aside for stakeholders who wish assistance with the THRA/SPA he said. If anyone wanted to participate in one of these sessions or needed to schedule another date and time, they were asked to contact him.

He reminded the committee that participation in the THIRA is required in order to receive EMPG funding through SEMA.

In the last THIRA for Region I, the scenarios completed were weather, active shooter, pandemic (human) and earthquake (New Madrid). Terry Kaas asked about including trains in a scenario as Lebanon has tracks running through the city. Glen Smith added that train tracks run near four schools in Crocker.

Mass Care/Emergency Human Services

Chiquita Small, SEMA, reported most meetings have gone back to in-person, with virtual options available. She also mentioned that COVID call meetings are still continuing and disaster housing meetings are getting back on track.

Ms. Small briefly mentioned a volunteer symposium would be held in October in the central Missouri region.

She reported the MO CERT Association is still meeting and is currently working on its bylaws.

MO State Mutual Aid Update

Report is included as part of the Interoperable Communications Update.

SEMA Region I Area Coordinator Updates

Brett informed the committee the next quarterly meeting of stakeholders would be at 10:00 a.m. on June 2.

He said SEMA classes are up and running. Brett also mentioned a planning workshop that is coming up. He said a reminder would be sent out and added that anyone receiving EMPG funding is required to have someone from that agency attend the workshop.

RHSOC Old Business

Samantha Sherman provided an update on FY20 and FY21 projects. She reported that all radios and mics have been purchased and most have been installed. Purchasing for FY21 has not begun but the goal is to have all purchases completed by Aug. 1, 2022.

Anne Freand reviewed the committee vacancies and asked committee members for suggestions.

Chairman Smith said he would contact the new St. James School superintendent to see if he would be interested in serving.

Mike Shepherd is the EMD for St. Robert and has been contacted about filling the alternate EMD vacancy. Jerry Brown, mayor of Waynesville, will fill the vacant alternate position for mayor/city administrator and is expected to attend the next meeting.

Vacancies	
Represents	Position
Schools	Alternate – waiting on final contact
EMS	Alternate – waiting on final contact
Public Works	Alternate – waiting on final contact
Emergency Management Director	Alternate – waiting on final contact
Mayor/City Administrator	Alternate – Jerry Brown, mayor

RHSOC New Business

Anne provided an update on the FY22 Region I Inventory Update. She reported that MRPC will be hosting an intern who will be working on updating the inventory. Once it's complete, Anne indicated she would split it out by entity and then send the information out to get updates on the status of the items on the list.

Chairman Smith encouraged everyone to respond to inventory requests. Anne added the biggest help would be to keep contact information up-to-date and make sure the inventory list is getting to the right person.

The committee set the next meeting for Aug. 25, 2022.

ADJOURN Linda Kerr made a motion to adjourn at 2:30 p.m.; seconded by David Miller. The motion carried. Chair, Tabitha Stanfast Date

Date

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