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**REGION I RHSOC MEETING**

**Thursday, Feb. 16, 2023 – 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 1:07 p.m.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Members participating in person were Ron Smith (A), Linda Kerr (P), Jeff Breen (P), David Miller (P), Jimmy Bench (A), Regina Arrington (A), Tabitha Stanfast (P).

Participating via Zoom or conference call were Hector Silva (A), Darin Pryor (P), David Miller (P), Gary Hicks (P), Don Good (P), Dan Cordova (P), Glen Smith (P) and Connie Patton (P).

**GUESTS PARTICIPATING VIA ZOOM:**

Kristin Kayser (OHS), Roger Strope (MOSWIN), Greg DuBois (Highway Patrol, Troop I), and Wayland Taylor (SEMA).

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Tony Floyd (P), Sam Allen (P), Stacey Smith (A), Doug Yurecko (A), Byron Dudley (A), Brad England (P), Randy Rowe (P), John Lochner (A), and David Sewell (A), Brad Woods (A), Connie Miles (P), Devin Johnson (P),

**STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT**:

Staff participating in person were Samantha Sherman and Tammy Snodgrass. Jennifer Parrett, St. James Ambulance, also attended.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA:**

Regina Arrington made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Jimmy Bench. The motion carried.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES:**

Jimmy Bench made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Linda Kerr. The motion carried.

Regina Arrington asked about the trailer (EMD Command Center). Samantha Sherman reported that paperwork had been sent to OHS and she’s just waiting to hear back from them.

**OHS Updates/HSAC Other Initiatives –** OHS Representative

Kristin Kayser reported it is hopeful that federal NOFA for 2023 HSOC regional funding will come out by the end of February, with applications available in April.

**Ag Updates**

No report was given.

**DNR Updates**

No report was given.

**Interoperable Communications Update**

Roger Strope, MODPS MOSWIN, mentioned the 700 site that is being built in the city of Salem. Don Good asked if the 700 site and VHF site would be linked. Roger said the those on the 700 sites could communicate to those on VHF, but VHF wouldn’t be able to communicate with those on a 700 site.

**Mass Care/Emergency Human Services**

Wayland Taylor, SEMA, informed the committee there would be a training/symposium held on April 4 and 5, 2023 at Stoney Creek Inn in Columbia. Open to any volunteer and/or professional or community organization and some of the topics to be covered will be education on disaster and mental health for responders. He said he would be sending more information and an agenda to Samantha.

**MO State Mutual Aid Update**

No report was given.

**SEMA Region I Area Coordinator Updates**

Samantha provided information from Brett Hendrix. He said the next quarterly stakeholders meeting would be held on March 2 at 10:00 a.m. at the city hall in Cuba.

**RHSOC Old Business**

Samantha Sherman provided an update on FY20, FY21 and FY22 projects. She reported all FY20 items have been purchased with the exception of one item for Rolla Fire and Rescue. Samantha reported there were some leftover funds which were originally approved to go towards the MRPC grant to fully fund it. It was fully funded and all FY20 grants are closed. The only outstanding grant is Search and Rescue. There was a suggestion to buy one more bullet proof vest and allocate that $450 to the purchase of one additional vest that would be used. The funds wouldn’t cover the vest in full and Rolla has agreed to pay the remaining cost of the vest. Samantha noted the grant originally requested 10 vests but was cut back to six so as to fund more requests.

Tabitha Stanfast made a motion to approve an amendment to the 2020 grant to purchase the additional vest; seconded by Linda Kerr. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried. The were two abstentions. Results of the roll call:

Darin Pryor (Public Works) – abstained Don Good (Fire) – yes

Gary Hicks (County Commissioner) – yes Linda Kerr (EMS) – yes

Hector Silva (Health) – yes Jimmy Bench (Sheriff) – yes

Dan Cordova (Police) – yes Tabitha Stanfast (Hospitals) – yes

David Miller (Volunteers) – yes Ron Smith (Hazmat Team) – abstained

Glen Smith (Mayor) – yes

Samantha provided an update on FY21 grants:

* Rolla Command Post – all subscriptions have been paid and the claim has been submitted.
* Rolla All Hazards – Chemical leak buckets have been ordered and the ID paper and digital camera are here.
* Outstanding items include incident lights, flashlights, a Level A suit and a combustible detector.
* Search and Rescue – quotes have been received for all lights and tourniquet/chest kits.
* The mobile radio has been ordered for Rolla.
* Portable mics have been ordered for Waynesville.

For FY22, Samantha informed the committee that sub-award agreements have been completed and are out for signature.

The committee held a discussion on filling vacant positions.

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| Vacancies | |
| Represents | Position |
| EMS | Alternate – Jennifer Parrot |
| Public Works | Alternate |
| Mayor/City Administrator | Alternate |

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

April 27, 2023 July 27, 2023

**ADJOURN**

Regina Arrington made a motion to adjourn at 1:45 p.m.; seconded by Jimmy Bench. The motion carried.

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