



REGION I RHSOC MEETING
Thursday, Jan. 25, 2024 – 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 by welcoming committee members and guests at 1:04 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Members participating in person were Tabitha Stanfast (P), Jeff Breen (P), Hector Silva, (A) Linda Kerr (A), Don Good (A), Jennifer Parrett (P), Jordan Dillion (A), Randy Rowe (P), Brad Woods (A), and Jason Rigs (A). Participating via Zoom were Gary Hicks (P), David Sewell (P) and Jason Goldsmith (A).

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Tony Floyd (A), Sam Allen (A), Byron Dudley (P), Brad England (A), David Miller (A), Glen Smith (P), John Lochner (A), Deborah Decker (P), Devin Johnson (P), Doug Yurecko (P), Jimmy Bench (P), Dan Cordova (P), Darin Pryor (A), and Stacey Smith (P).

STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Staff and guests participating in person were Samantha Sherman and Linda Carroll (MRPC); and Brett Hendrix (SEMA). Participating via Zoom were Wayland Taylor (SEMA) and Kristin Kayser (OHS).

MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA:

Jeff Breen made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Don Good. The motion carried.

MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES:

Gary Hicks made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Jeff Breen. The motion carried.

OHS Update

Kristin Kayser reported OHS has received all of Region I's NSCRs and the region is ready to go.

She said OHS hasn't received any information on FY24 funding from FEMA or DHS but she hopes to have that information by April.

Ms. Kayser reported that ARPA closed Jan. 5 and said it should be completed by mid-to-late February. She also spoke briefly about drone purchases. It has been determined that drone purchases can only be approved if manufactured in the United States.

Ag Updates

No report was given, but a handout with updates was provided.

DNR Updates

No report was given.

Interoperable Communications Update

No report was given.

Mass Care/Emergency Human Services

Wayland Taylor reported there would be an Access and Function Disability Awareness Training in Jefferson City on March 4 and 5 and said he would be sending information. He said the training is for all emergency services, public services and non-profits. The training will cover how these services can better prepare and communicate with their access and functions needs audiences, he said.

MO State Mutual Aid Update

No report was given.

SEMA Region I Area Coordinator Updates

Brett Hendrix reported that Missouri has both drought and flood conditions, with Region I having the worst drought in the state. He informed the committee that the next quarterly stakeholder meeting would be on March 5 at 10:00 a.m. at the Pulaski County Courthouse. The meeting will include an exercise in coordination with Hector Silva, EMD for Pulaski County. The exercise will involve activating and testing the EOC in Waynesville. Samantha Sherman asked if an MRPC representative should attend, and Mr. Hendrix said it would be a good idea. He went on to say that it's not often an EOC is activated so it would be helpful to see it in action when there's not an actual emergency occurring.

RHSOC Old Business

Project Updates

Samantha Sherman provided the following updates on FY20, FY21, FY22 and FY23 projects.

- FY20 – Complete.
- FY21 – 40% of the way completed.
- FY22 – Will be working on purchasing a vehicle.
- FY23 – Just getting finalized. Sub-award agreements have gone out for signature and once she receives those back, Samantha said she would submit them so funding can be released.

Vacant Positions

Samantha reviewed the committee vacancies and asked committee members for suggestions.

Vacancies	
Represents	Position
Police Chief	Alternate – Jason Goldsmith (Glen Smith
Public Works	Primary
Mayor/City Administrator	Alternate
County Commissioner	Alternate – Charles Bassett
HSRT	Alternate

David Sewell said he knows a possible candidate to fill the Mayor/City Administrator vacancy and said he would reach out to Samantha with that name.

Hector Silva said he would reach out to Charles Bassett to see if he is interested in filling the County Commissioner vacancy.

Jeff Breen said he may have a possible candidate for the HSRT vacancy and will reach out to him.

INTRODUCTION

Randy Rowe introduced Bruce McFarland, Deputy Director for OEM in Laclede County.

ADJOURN

David Sewell made a motion to adjourn at 1:28 p.m.; seconded by Don Good. The motion carried.



Chair, Tabitha Stanfast

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