

Nebraska Public Safety Communications Council

Meeting Minutes March 25, 2020, 1:00 AM CDT Video Conference¹

1. Roll Call

First Name	Last Name	Agency	Attendance
VOTING MEMBERS			
Mike	Foley	Lt. Governor	NO
Sue	Krogman	SWIC	YES
Bill	Muldoon	Tri-County PET Region	YES
Ike	Brown	Southwest PET Region	YES
Steve	Cody	Otoe County EMA	YES
(open)		League of Municipalities	
Kevin	Garvin	Northeast PET Region	YES
Heidi	Gillespie	Panhandle PET Region	YES
Tim	Hofbauer	East Central PET Region	YES
Adam	Matzner	State Fire Marshal	NO
Tom	Nutt	Nebraska Association of County Officials	NO
Mark	Rempe	North Central PET Region	YES
Jon	Rosenlund	South Central PET Region	YES
Kevin	Ryan	Nebraska State Patrol	YES
Jayne	Scofield	Office of the Chief Information Officer	NO
Craig	Stover	Game and Parks Department	NO
Bryan	Tuma	Nebraska Emergency Management Agency	YES
David	Webb	Nebraska Public Power District	NO
EX-OFFICIO			
Dave	Sankey	Nebraska Public Service Commission	YES
Ed	Toner	Office of the Chief Information Officer	NO

Others in attendance: Julie Mayers (NEMA), Laura Hinz (Knox County EMA), Nathan Martinez (NEMA), Ryan Lowry (PPC),

2. Welcome, Introductions, and Open Meeting Law Information

Bryan Tuma called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM CDT and verified public notice and availability of copy of law in the meeting location – NEB. REV. STAT. §§ 84-1407 THROUGH 84-1414 (1999, Cum. Supp. 2006, Supp. 2007)

3. Approval of Minutes

Jon Rosenlund made a motion to approve the December 18, 2019 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mark Rempe; the motion passed by unanimous acclamation vote with no abstaining votes and no dissenting votes.

¹ Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Bryan Tuma received a special dispensation from the Governor to hold this meeting via videoconference.

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4. Approval of the 2019 NPSCC Annual Report

Jon Rosenlund made a motion to approve the 2019 NPSCC Annual Report. The motion was seconded by Tim Hofbauer; the motion passed by unanimous acclamation vote with no abstaining votes or dissenting votes.

5. Review and Recommendations of Projects for the Communications Investment Justification

A. NEMA Build-out

The original request of \$500,000 was reduced to \$350,000 at Sue Krogman's suggestion in order to fit within the recommended budget for Communications. The group recommended to proceed with this project, to be funded for \$350,000.

B. North Central Region NRIN Project

The original request of \$63,263 was reduced to \$53,263 at Mark Rempe's suggestion (removing the CONEX containers project) in order to fit within the recommended budget for Communications. The group recommended to proceed with this project, to be funded for \$53,263.

C. East Central Region NRIN Project

The group recommend to proceed with this project, to be funded at its original request of \$54,600.

D. South Central Region NRIN Technical Assistance

The group recommend to proceed with this project, to be funded at its original request of \$150,000.

E. South Central Region NRIN Governance Board

The original request of \$404,000 was reduced to \$202,000 at Jon Rosenlund's suggestion in order to fit within the recommended budget for Communications. This would fund one year of the governance board rather than two years. Jon said they would include this project in next year's investment justification to continue funding the governance board. The group recommended to proceed with this project, to be funded for \$202,000.

F. Northeast Region 320ft Tower

The original request of \$193,000 was reduced to \$130,000 at Kevin Garvin's suggestion due to a mistake in the original quote. The group recommended to proceed with this project, to be funded for \$130,000.

G. Southeast Region Tower Leases

The group recommended to proceed with this project, to be funded at its original request of \$5,100.

H. Southeast Region Tower Leases – Jefferson County

The group recommended to proceed with this project, to be funded at its original request of \$6,200.

I. South Central Region NRIN Coordinator

The original request of \$105,000 was reduced to \$35,000 at Jon Rosenlund's suggestion in order to fit with the recommended budget for Communications. This would fund one year of the coordinator position rather than three years. NRIN may request funding for this position in the future, or it may be possible to fund this position using NRIN user fees in the future. The group recommended to proceed with this project, to be funded for \$35,000.

J. Northeast Region Generator

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The original request of \$14,000 was reduced to \$12,000 at Kevin Garvin’s suggestion in order to fit with the recommended budget for Communications. The group recommended to proceed with this project, to be funded for \$12,000.

K. Northeast Region Storage

The group recommended to proceed with this project, to be funded at its original request of \$39,600.

L. Panhandle Region Chadron Volunteer Fire Department Radios

The group recommended not to fund this project because Nebraska is no longer purchasing radios through the Homeland Security Grant Program.

M. Panhandle Region Gordon Police Department Radios

The group recommended not to fund this project because Nebraska is no longer purchasing radios through the Homeland Security Grant Program.

N. Panhandle Region Chappell EMS Radios

The group recommended not to fund this project because Nebraska is no longer purchasing radios through the Homeland Security Grant Program.

O. Summary of Projects

Project Name	Original Amt Requested	Final Amt Recommended
NEMA Build-Out	\$500,000	\$350,000
North Central NRIN	\$63,263	\$53,263
East Central NRIN	\$54,600	\$54,600
South Central NRIN TA	\$150,000	\$150,000
South Central NRIN Governance Board	\$404,000	\$202,000
Northeast 320ft Tower	\$193,000	\$130,000
Southeast Tower Leases	\$5,100	\$5,100
Southeast Tower Leases – Jefferson County	\$6,200	\$6,200
South Central NRIN Coordinator	\$105,000	\$35,000
Northeast Generator	\$14,000	\$12,000
Northeast Storage	\$39,600	\$39,600
Panhandle Chadron VFD Radios	\$27,790	\$0
Panhandle Gordon PD Radios	\$10,455	\$0
Panhandle Chappell EMS Radios	\$28,307	\$0
Total	\$1,601,315	\$1,037,763
Communications Budget		\$1,020,000
Difference		\$17,763

With all recommended changes to project funding amounts, the Communications Investment Justification comes to a total of \$1,037,763, which is \$17,763 over the budget amount for

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Communications. Julie Mayers said that the state will be able to cover the \$17,763 difference with their 20% portion of the grant. These projects and recommended amounts will be given to the Homeland Security Policy Group and Senior Advisor Council for their final vote for approval.

6. Member Comments

No member comments.

7. Public Comments

No public comments.

8. Next Meeting

Next meeting will be Wednesday June 24th, at 10:00 AM CDT. Location of the meeting will be announced prior to the next meeting.

6. Adjourn

Jon Rosenlund made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ike Brown; the motion passed by unanimous acclamation vote. The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 PM CDT.

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Acronym	Meaning
CASM	Communications Assets Survey and Mapping
DHS	Department of Homeland Security
DSL	Digital Subscriber Line
EAS	Emergency Alert System
EM	Emergency Management
EMPG	Emergency Management Performance Grant
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation
FCC	Federal Communications Commission
FFO	Federal Funding Opportunity
IJ	Investment Justification
IP	Internet Protocol address
MACH	Mobile Architecture for Communications Handling
MDC	Mobile Data Computer
NACO	Nebraska Association of County Officials
NCOR	Nebraska Council of Regions
NEMA	Nebraska Emergency Management Agency
NPPD	Nebraska Public Power District
NPSBN	Nebraska Public Safety Broadband Network
NPSCC	Nebraska Public Safety Communications Council
NRIN	Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network
OCIO	Office of the Chief Information Officer
PET	Planning, Exercise, and Training
RFP	Request for proposals
ROC	Regional Operations Common
SECC	State Emergency Communications Committee
SLA	Service Level Agreement
SME	Subject matter expert
SPR	State Preparedness Report
SRS	Statewide Radio System
THIRA	Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Analysis
TEPW	Training, Exercise, Preparedness Workshop
TICP	Tactical Interoperable Communications Planning