

January 6th, 2021 – 1300 Hours
Zoom
South Central PET Region
Minutes

Present: Brandon Myers, Ron Pughes, Brian Woldt, Jon Rosenlund, Darrin Lewis, Bryan Waugh, Chris Ulrick, Dawna Whitcomb, Haley Roemmich, Justin Norris, Jill Harvey, Kirt Smith, Neil Miller, Nick Elledge, Ron Tubbs, Sue Krogman, Joanna Le Moine, Marion McDermott, Roger Powell, Ron Sunday, Chris Becker, Jennifer Marchlewski (WCDHD)

- 1) Call to Order – Open Meeting Law
 - a. Brian called the meeting to order at 13:00.

- 2) Review and approve the agenda
 - a. Kirt moved to approve the agenda. Nick seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- 3) Review and approve the minutes from the previous meeting
 - a. Kirt moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Nick seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- 4) NEMA Report –
 - a. Chris mentioned that they are working with anyone who wants to do training locally, to help make sure it fits with their local Health Department. They are looking to push forward with more in person classes. Knowledge Center is changing; they were bought out by the same company that owns Web EOC. They may end up interacting and working together.
 - b. Jon asked about the BOLD Planning that is going on this week. Chris is not that familiar with it, and can have Logan send out more information on it.

- 5) SC LEG Update – Sheriff Miller
 - a. Sheriff Miller stated that they have acquired the software that will help them break codes on cell phones when needed and it has been very beneficial as well. They still have some 2019 LEG money to work through, but most of it is training which has been challenging to get at this time. They did order the Transcend Robot for Grand Island, which is some money down now and some on delivery. The DCIA group is coming up with ideas for them in the next round of funding. They will meet the 26th with Jon & Darrin to put things together for this next round of grants.
 - b. Jon asked about the robot, and Sheriff Miller discussed how there will end up being 3 robots for each of the SWAT teams in the region, one of which is in Grand Island.

- 6) ARC Update – Marion McDermott

- a. Marion mentioned that they have been working with shelters and potential shelters, and have been getting cots and blankets delivered to these sites. They have a new shelter coming on in Kimball Co, and will be taking cots and blankets there. If we know anyone who would like cots and blankets, direct them to Marion and she will get them what they need. They are working on updating shelter agreements, asking places to fill out as much as possible themselves, and then filling in the blanks. They are hoping to be doing things more normal soon, being able to do more in person. They are in the midst of their fire season at this time. They are on a new software system called RC Care, which allows them to do ETF as a payment option for those they are helping instead of having it all on gift cards that expire and cannot be reissued. It will help them get things to their clients in a timely fashion. They currently have a lot of smoke, but are unable to do the installation at this time. If you have anyone who wants some and can install them, she can provide the alarms to you.
- b. Jon asked about vaccination for them and blood care workers. She mentioned that the blood care workers have gotten their letters saying they can be vaccinated, but the regular workers are not on the list at this time.
- c. Darrin asked about the ARC trailer that had been in Kearney with cots and blankets. She said it is still there in Kearney.

7) Old Business

- a. 2017 Grant – Update
 - i. Credential cards to Lincoln Co
 1. Dawna mentioned they currently have 6 boxes of white ID cards for SC in her office. Lincoln County would like to have 2 boxes. Buffalo County would like to have a box. Hall County would like to have a box. Phelps County would like a box. Nuckolls County would like a box. Make arrangements with Dawna or Ron to pick them up.
 - ii. Nothing has really happened in 2017, the only thing left is Citizen Corps for an exercise (\$3,019.63), which we cannot do at this time as well as some training funds (\$7,194.36) that need to be used by June 30th, with \$11.91 transferred in from remaining NRIN funds.
- b. 2018 Grant – Update
 - i. Quite a bit was spent on this grant. Dawna ordered a bunch of CERT supplies to use some of the Citizen Corps money (\$4,443.34 remaining). Jon & Brandon picked those items up. Credentialing – she ordered some ID cards leaving \$20. IC Class (12 people) in NP helped spend some of the training money (\$6,227.64 remaining). NRIN Governance Board has \$113,300.35 remaining.
- c. 2019 Grant – Update
 - i. No funds spent out of this at this time. LEG-JTAG Chipoff Training - \$21,450; BeReady Nebraska - \$302.62; CERT Training - \$11,000; CNMRC Resources for Vulnerable Populations - \$13,000; IMT Training - \$42,000; LEG-Magnet Axiom Training - \$7,681; LEG-Mobile Device Investigations Program training - \$10,000; NRIN Governance Board - \$306,583; LEG-Pen-Link Live Intercept Social Media

Package - \$16,000; LEG-Police Intel Information & Intelligence Sharing Software - \$2,277; Credentialing - \$9,000; LEG-Terrorism Awareness Course - \$8,750.

- d. 2020 Grant – Update
 - i. The LEG ordered the Grey Key Extraction and half of the robot has been paid. No other funds have been spent on this grant at this time.
 - e. Other Financial – Dues, etc.
 - i. Same balance as before \$11,603.37.
 - f. Training Calendar – Jill
 - i. Trainings update/discuss dates
 - 1. Jill has nothing new. Most trainings have been postponed from last year, and she has not yet started re-scheduling them. They are looking at starting in March/April, and will also be looking to start their 2021 classes. They will try to take care of the approved postponed classes before starting the 2021 classes. Some of these will have to be done before June to take care of the 2017 funds. Dawna will need anything to be paid from the 2017 funds in to her by the middle of May to have it approved by Adams County in time.
 - g. Be Ready Nebraska – Darrin & Jon
 - i. We mentioned at the last meeting that we still had some funds available to use, and that our website needs some major updates. Darrin spoke about how we need to get it cleaned up. The quote for the clean-up is \$800-900 which falls below our \$1K budget. This would include removing outdated links and the old EM app, adding PSA videos and other apps (See Something Say Something), and updating photos. They did also send a quote for Ongoing Care at \$300/month. Ron asked if we know how many hits this website is getting. Darrin knows there is a way to see it, but he is not capable of doing it, as he doesn't know how. Dawna mentioned that they pay the hosting fees for them every quarter. Jon moved that we use the \$900 for the clean-up of the website. Kirt seconded. Motion passed. Darrin will be reaching out to the group and state partners, so that we can check on anything that they want to see on the page. He also mentioned that this is a civilian page and that we should keep it looking that way. We are also needing the new Poster contest pictures, etc.
 - h. South Central All Hazards Response Team – Darrin
 - i.
- 8) NPSCC Update
- a. NRIN – Jon
 - i. Jon said they are collecting the IJ information on the 2 towers, one for Nuckolls and one for Webster. Jon would like to talk about putting up \$10K in an IJ for extra battery backups to help with locations where a generator cannot be put in. Please take a poll of your towers and email it to Jon to let him know which NRIN towers have generators, and how many towers you have. The UPS battery Backups are about \$520 each, and will give an additional hour of time depending on load. Justin was wondering if we have every looked into solar

panels going into a battery bank. At this time, Sue has not seen anything like that, and in the contract it mentions the UPS. Justin mentioned it would be like a generator, but with less maintenance, and more continued energy without needing battery backups or generators. Darrin's concern with the battery backups is that when there is a disaster and electricity is lost, that it is usually more than an hour or two, so where a generator can be put in, he feels that is a better option than purchasing more battery backups. So with the list, how many towers, if it has a generator or not, and if not, which method would be preferred.

ii. Sue wanted to let us know that they are diligently looking for a place in Webster Co for another tower. There are currently looking at 2 possible sites. She needs to get a signed agreement for placing items on a tower that will move the network from Reskin to the SC area. Otherwise it is status quo. She will be putting in an IJ for continued build-out.

b. CNRI –

i. Darrin said that he found the large black manual for this. He believes it has some of the mutual aid agreements in there.

9) New Business

a. IJ Discussion

i. Jon has received a number of items already, and thanks people for getting them in to him.

ii. Ron Pughes sent one for the CNMRC, they discussed that this is under transportation, and Jon said he would probably put it under Medical Response if he is ok with that, to match the THIRA. 3-year funding request to keep CNMRC active, with materials, equipment and training. No disagreements with this IJ at \$15K.

iii. Be Ready NE - \$2000 per year. Jon feels it is very reasonable to double the amount and have it for the hosting and a once a year cleanup. Darrin would propose adding another \$5k for another just in time video to either add here or in a new IJ. Jon believes it should be added in, as then it would show as sustaining an item. Added the \$5k to each of the 3 years on this IJ. No disagreements with this.

iv. CERT – Took the same one for the last couple of years, and took it forward. Exercise, Instruction materials, travel to send volunteers to CERT conference, CERT PPE/Response equipment. Currently showing at \$14k per year. Darrin mentioned how Kearney FD had an extinguisher simulator that would get rid of the fuel, flash pan, etc. Jon asked if anyone thinks they might want a simulator? Darrin might try to add a CERT group in the future, and is currently trying to work on getting a volunteer base built. No disagreements with this IJ.

v. Credentialing – Not changed again. \$9K for licenses, \$8k for consumables. With adding GI license, might want to change that to \$9.5k. No disagreements with this.

vi. NRIN Coordinator – NRIN Contract for Coordinator. At \$35K per year.

- vii. NRIN Governance Board – Travel, Outreach, Instruction, Hardware, Software. \$202K/year
- viii. NRIN Technical Assistance – to NPPD. \$75K/year
- ix. Training – Same as every year. ICS 300/400, G191, ICS Specific courses plus 2 exercises for IMT. \$42K/year. No disagreements.
- x. Webster Tower - \$43,485 total, put together for Webster tower. They have the quote, but not the location just yet. There are a couple of possible locations at this time. 120' tower. Self-supporting. Fence, concrete pad, included. Darrin suggested getting a bid for a small building and attach that to this. Sheriff Becker had an 8x10' building for \$31K, 5K for generator, and another 8K for installation. Jon suggested adding another \$40-45K for the building and generator. Ron Sunday believes that the \$90K should be able to cover it. Jon is updating this, and Ron will work on getting an updated quote to be able to completely update this IJ.
- xi. Nuckolls Towers - \$63,485. Attached to a building, needs just the tower and tower pad, no generator or anything. Some of the remediation is being paid for by Sue Krogman with \$20K on this IJ. Also a new tower for remaining funds.
- xii. That is all Jon has received at this time. Darrin has just received one from the Buffalo Co Hazmat Team, for dry/wet chemicals for \$64K. Their team is not an MOU team so it doesn't receive any funding (because they are all volunteers), but is required to maintain type 1 status. They are looking to replace their system. Darrin will have it to Jon by next week. It was mentioned that we are still waiting for the LEG IJ's at this time.

10) Good of the Group

- a. Darrin asked if anyone has heard anything from Health Departments about vaccinations. Brian has had his first one and is due for his second, because of his EMS. Kirt also, because of EMS. Jill just came back from getting her second shot, because of FD.
- b. BOLD Planning coming up, is going to be demos, so might be something we have seen before. Training should be coming up afterwards on this program.

11) Adjournment

- a. Kirt moved to adjourn. Jon seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 14:41.

P.S. Per email from Jon after this meeting, the credentialing IJ will have an additional \$5,000 added for Clay Co to get a Rapid Tag system. (Did not hear if there were any objections to this, so assuming it was added.)