The Northeast Nebraska Regional meeting was called to order by Chairman Kevin Garvin. Roll call: Bobbi Risor was present for Region 11; Burt County was absent; Kevin Garvin was present for Cedar County; Jeff McGill was present for Cuming County; Deanna Hagberg was present for Dakota County; Shea Scollard was present for Dixon County; Laura Hintz was present for Knox County; Mike Frohberg was present for Stanton County; Thurston County was absent and Nic Kemnitz was present for Wayne County. A quorum was present.

Jeff McGill made a motion to approve the October minutes as sent out and waive the reading, seconded by Deanna Hagberg. Voice Vote Region 11, Cedar County, Cuming County, Dakota County, Dixon County, Stanton County and Wayne County ayes, Knox County abstained, Thurston County & Burt County absent. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: No change in prior grants just monthly payment of $220.00 to Buck’s Storage for NRIN equipment.
South Sioux City, Madison County and Stanton County are working on IJ’s for law enforcement equipment, Nic Kemnitz is working on one for more printers. January 20th is the deadline to have them in to the region and be approved. Make sure you have proof-read them before submitting.
A new Rapid Tag that was approved under the FY20 grant will be ordered and placed in Cuming County.

NEW BUSINESS: Larry Filchner advised regarding the wildland fires out west, if you are called to go should have all V-Tach channels in your radios as that is what is used. When ordering resources, now must have a paper trail instead of putting out an all call for resources. Nic Kemnitz reported from the NACO Conference about the presentation by NEMA, the information presented about what the Financial Unit does, the table-top exercise held and the different presentations on several topics such as ARPA (still not sure what you can buy) Facebook (now have a separate Government section that has a real person you can call and ask questions ) that was for all attending. Discussed how to get the local Fire Departments and Communications to let us know what they have and get them to add what they need. Will have to get the Chiefs to buy into doing trainings. To be ICS and NIMS compliant departments are going to have to do the current 100, 200, 700 and 800 courses again. FEMA is going to be checking more closely on who is current and this will affect their grants. It was suggested to make a workday for each county or mutual aid area to draw up resource lists/directories. The Red Cross was not able to attend the meeting to talk about sheltering.

2022 meeting dates and locations: January & February Wayne Fire Hall; March Knox County Courthouse; April South Sioux/Dakota City; May Wayne Fire Hall; June Wayne State College; July Hartington; August Norfolk; September Ponca State Park; October Norfolk; November South Sioux City/Dakota City; December, Wayne Fire Hall.
Larry Fichtner asked if a list of who has taken position specific classes already and who has an open task book or is going to open a task book.

Check NEMA and Fire Marshal’s websites for upcoming training.
Election of Officers for 2022. Deanna Hagberg nominated Laura Hintz as Secretary, seconded by Shea Scollard. Voice Vote aye.
Shea Scollard nominated Jeff McGill as Vice President seconded by Deanna Hagberg. Voice Vote aye.
Deanna Hagberg nominated Kevin Garvin as Present seconded by Mike Frohberg. Voice Vote aye.
It was suggested that 9:30 a.m. be the start time for all meetings.

Respectfully submitted  Laura Hintz, Secretary

Next meeting January 20th at the Wayne Fire Hall.