



Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Committee
Meeting Summary
September 25, 2015

Present:

RHSCC Committee & Co-Chairs:

Chief Tom Daily, Independence Police Department
Chief Gary Fisher, North Kansas City Fire Department
Mr. Steve Hoeger, University of Kansas Hospital
Chief John Paul Jones, KCK Fire Department
Ms. Bonnie Martin, Kansas City Health Department
Mr. Matt May, Wyandotte County Emergency Management
Chief Ted McFarlane, MED-ACT
Sheriff Mark Owen, Platte County
Dr. John Ruddy, Fort Osage R-1 School District
Mr. Gene Shepherd, KCMO Emergency Management
Ms. Carolyn Wells, Liberty Hospital
Mr. Steve Williams, Truman Medical Centers

Mr. Dante Gliniecki, City of Independence
Ms. Gay Hall, Wyandotte County Health Department
Mr. Steven Lammers, Independence Health Department
BN. Chief Dan Smith, KCK Fire Department
Captain James Zeeb, KCK Fire Department
Major Frank Ise, Lenexa Police Department
Captain Helen Burke, Kansas City Police Department
Sergeant Robert Wynne, KCTEW
Mr. Geoff Hinkle, Independence EP
Ms. Shelly Bush, University of Kansas Hospital
Mr. Troy Campbell, KCTEW

MARC Staff:

Ms. Cynthia Allen, Emergency Services
Mr. Keith Faddis, Public Safety/9-1-1
Mr. Adam Geffert, Public Safety/9-1-1
Ms. Erin Lynch, Emergency Services
Mr. Ken Plante, Emergency Services

Special Advisors/Guests:

Assistant Chief Kim Blake, KCK Fire Department
Chief John Callahan, Smithville Area Fire Protection District
Mr. Kyle Burns, City of Overland Park

Welcome and Introduction

Sheriff Mark Owen opened the meeting since Co-chairs Kirk Davis and Hannes Zacharias were unable to attend. The meeting began with self-introductions.

TEW Report

Sergeant Robert Wynne, KCTEW. KCTEW has continued its activity related to cyber security and monitoring of social media for domestic and terrorism threats. The KCTEW provided ongoing support for the national fusion center association, a multi-state information and analysis center, for cyber intrusion detection at the national & international level. Across the nation, ISIS threats continue to be a concern. A variety malware attacks were identified and prevented due KCTEW analyst work. The KCTEW worked with the FBI to develop a training program 'Detect & Deter' to help prevent viruses from infiltrating agency systems and prevent cyber-attacks (i.e. malware, viruses, ransom ware). An exercise was developed as part of this training to help agencies evaluate their cyber security.

Presentation: April 2015 Water Main Break and Lessons Learned – Mr. Chris Stackhouse, North Kansas City Hospital, Supervisor of Security and Safety

- The North Kansas City Hospital is a 451-bed facility, municipality owned, serving 19 counties with a population of 570,000.
- Discussed break down of each operational period with problems and challenges that occurred as well as solutions.
- Discussed joint operations with Fire Department and Emergency management and inclusion in EOC process.
- Discussed need for porta-potties and wash station contracts identified in advance and importance of cleaning prior to delivery.
- Problems in locating water valve shut off valves. Documented secondary shut-off valve had previously been removed and not communicated. Arrangement being made to install new secondary water shut off as well as a new tertiary shut off. Importance of good documentation and marking of valves.
- Importance for agency emergency plans to have a separate account to track expenditures during an emergency response.

Subcommittee Reports

- **Policy** – Mr. Gene Shepherd reviewed the MO15 Peer Review process and said the FY15 RHSCC grant was awarded. The State Law Enforcement group received four applications requesting \$95,000 more than available.

A meeting to finalize the LETPA award is set for September 30; local representatives will attend to support the KCTEW application. Gene stated that the Policy Committee would meet on October 24.

- **Training & Exercise** – Chief John Callahan reported. He referred to the upcoming training course fliers in the meeting packet including the Bi state POD Volunteer and Staff training Oct 7 and the ICS 300 Nov 2-4. He noted that the KCLISRE regional critical infrastructure stabilization exercise would be held Oct 28th. Emergency Managers have reached out within their jurisdictions to invite appropriate agencies.
- **MEMC** – Chief Gary Fisher reported. September is Preparedness month and MEMC is updating the emergency preparedness guide and website www.preparemetrokc.org. Mr. Dan Robeson completed his term as MEMC chair and was recognized for his past support at the last MEMC meeting. Chief Fisher is the Chair and Mr. Matt May is the Vice chair. Meeting presentations included the American Red Cross smoke detector fire prevention program, KCRMORG VIC training, a progress report on an MOU with state of Missouri for WebEOC Fusion.

Chief Fisher explained that the MEMC will be hosting a “Resource Sharing” workshop. He asked Ms. Erin Lynch to review its purpose. Erin noted the following: 1) workshop is to review the specialized resources available within the region; 2) review and assess current statutes, policies and processes for rendering aid through state wide mutual aid or local agreements – identify any gaps or limitations on the ability to share resources among agencies in the region; 3) clarify local agencies’ expectations for resource sharing within the region and across state lines (i.e. is it to provide immediate assistance until state/federal resources are available or is it in lieu of the state/federal resources?); 4) provide an overview of the current FEMA policy regarding recovery reimbursement and provide an opportunity to discuss local agencies’ expectations regarding deployment, duration and costs.

The MEMC is asking for participation from the RHSCC Policy Committee, RHSCC Committee Co-chairs for discipline committees or their designees (e.g. MEMC, HOA, LE, PH, MARCER, Hospitals, RAPIO, etc.) and members of the MEMC Plans Policy Committee members, Industry representatives, Heavy Constructors Association, FEMA Region 7, KDEM, and SEMA, MO Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Coordinator. *Any RHSCC member is welcome.* The key to the workshop is having appropriate subject matter expertise in the room for the discussion. The workshop will tentatively be held in the Nov/Dec timeframe. Erin asked if there were any questions or concerns about the workshop. None were expressed. Save-the-date information will be sent as soon as the workshop is scheduled.

- **Plans** – No report.
- **Interoperability** – Mr. Keith Faddis reported. Sheriff Mark Owen attended the recent State of Missouri communications exercise.
- **Law Enforcement** – Chief Tom Dailey reported. Working on Civil Disorder Plan, philosophical approach varies by jurisdiction.
- **Public Health** – Ms. Bonnie Martin reported. KCPD conducted needed radio/communications training; good collaboration. Experiencing Shigella outbreak; usually have 10 cases, MO is reporting 143 cases.
- **KCTEAM** – No report.
- **Mental Health Functional and Access Needs** – No report.
- **Hospitals** – Ms. Carolyn Wells reported. Committee has drafted bylaws to guide and formalize succession planning. Under review.
- **GIS** – No report
- **MARCER** – Mr. Ken Plante reported. Time Critical Diagnosis (TCD) Plan was approved by Bureau of EMS. Webinar held for EMS and hospitals on the TCD plan (recorded and available for those interested). Expired ISO Chambers were recently distributed for training purposes to those agencies who received new ISO Chambers.
- **HOAFC** – No report.
- **Area Maritime Security Committee** – Sheriff Owen noted that the AMSC conducted a large exercise in August to respond to an event on the Missouri River waterway; will brief the RHSCC after the completion of the After-Action report. An exercise After-Action Conference meeting is set for September 29.
- **LEPC** – Ms. Erin Lynch noted that she attended an excellent and sobering presentation by the Waco-McLennan County LEPC at the KEMA conference. Information was shared about their experience following the West Texas explosion and considered as the LEPC plan revisions are finalized.

2015 States’ Preparedness Report and THIRA. Ms. Erin Lynch reviewed. Each year the region is responsible for updating the THIRA Threat Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment and to provide input to the State of Missouri’s Preparedness Report. This year the region has been invited to participate in the Kansas SPR process as well. Kansas will be holding a series of webinars and has invited each region to participate. The schedule of the webinars was provided. The goal is to have participation in the Kansas webinars on any of the high priority regional capabilities. It is not expected to add new hazards or threats to the THIRA. The capability targets are expected to remain the same unless they need to be modified based on exercises or actual events. The committee received copies of the current capability targets and

were asked to let staff know if changes were recommended to the targets. An example was provided of the Mass Search and Rescue capability to illustrate what information needs to be reported. The Committee reviewed the strategy and assignments for completing the report. The RHSCC was supportive of the process proposed for completing the state report (import the existing information from 2012 and 2014 into the reporting tool and update based on known information and to vet information through regular committee meetings in Oct –Nov and if needed host a bi state THIRA/SPR meeting in early November.) The Kansas report is due October 31 and the Missouri information is due November 30. The RHSCC will be asked to approve the MO submission at the November RHSCC meeting.

Financial Report

Ms. Erin Lynch reported. The RHSCC grant summary report identified the six funding sources supporting the RHSCC. The report is organized by equipment, information systems, training & exercise and planning projects representing the regions identified priority areas and shows how resources are being braided together. FY15 SHSG grants have been awarded for MO and Ks, MO Ebola Health Care Coalition grant is pending. RHSCC Local funding is a critical part of the sustainment strategy. Highlights included the recent purchase of enhanced Tactical Team replacement robot batteries. It was noted the Regional Enhanced Tactical Teams recently met to review their equipment and are discussing sustainment priorities and issues. Regional Hazmat is also discussing sustainment strategies.

State(s) Reports – no report. It was noted there was a state of Kansas Regional meeting today so KHP and Chuck Magaha are at that meeting.

Other Business. Keith Faddis reported that the New National Transportation Board Chairman visited MARC and was interested in meeting with transportation and emergency services leadership. Thank you to those that attended on short notice.

Next Meeting – November 20, 2015 1:30pm.

Material provided included: *Agenda, 07/24/15 Meeting Summary, RHSCC Financial Report, THIRA & SPR Overview and proposed process, Committee Assignments, Regional Capability targets, Mass Search and Rescue Capability Example, Resource Sharing workshop proposed agenda*

Training flyers (Bi-state Points of Dispensing for Volunteers & Staff, ICS 300 & 400 courses).

