

COMMISSION ON EMERGENCY PLANNING AND RESPONSE

Thursday, December 4, 2008

Members in Attendance:

Timothy East, representing Steve Hedges, Wolf Creek Generating Plant
Patricia Eakes, Disabilities
Randy Duncan, Director, Sedgwick County Emergency Management
Captain Ray Gonzalez, representing Kansas Highway Patrol
Dick Heitschmidt, Police Department, City of Hutchinson
Sandy Johnson, Department of Agriculture
Dan McLaughlin, State Fire Marshal
Karen Schuyler, ICL
Ken Keller, Emergency Medical Services
John Prather, Groendyke Transport Inc., Transportation, Trucking or Rail
Major General Tod Bunting, Adjutant General
Karen Domer, representing George Teagarden, Animal Health Department
Paul Sasse, Cities
Mike McNulty, representing Mindee Reece, KS department of Health and Environment
Warren Porter, Public Works
Mark Krentz, Kansas Department of Transportation
Peter Carttar representing Catherine Patrick, Kansas Department of Transportation
Elizabeth Ticer, Public Health

Members not in attendance:

Robert Blecha, Kansas Bureau of Investigation
Melissa Dinsmore, Hospitals
Ken Schremmer, Barton County Commission
Dr. Lyle Noordhoek, Central Plains Laboratory, Hays
Clayton Huseman, Agriculture, Crop or Livestock
Jim Ogle, Broadcasters

Meeting:

- Meeting opened at 10: 01am
Jack Taylor is unable to attend, so John Prather as Vice Chair is chairing the meeting
- Roll call of the commission
Introductions of commissioners
- Minutes Karen Schuyler moved and seconded by Tim East to approve the minutes
- Floor opened for public and committee comments

Reorganization of the Adjutant General's Department:

- Major General Bunting gave a report
 - He had visited a Nuclear plant in Armenia; issue of running out of gas, now use natural gas
 - 12 open disasters currently
 - Crisis City is currently being built, making progress, KDOT has donated a lot by bringing supplies,
 - Watching the new administration
 - New organizational chart for Adjutant General's Department Division of Emergency Management
Initiative for Emergency Preparedness in Schools
- Angee Morgan added to report
 - Will be able to do more with planning, staff development training, looking at action reviews, new standard operating procedures, mentoring program for new emergency managers
- Bill Chornyak – initiatives Homeland Security will be involved with:
 - Update 2006 plan
 - 6 state region
 - Vulnerability Assessments (ie new biolab) and at Legends – security do a vulnerability assessment there
 - Assess training exercises for Fire Dept. and Crisis Center , Law Enforcement, Private Sector
 - Fusion Center, coordinating various Federal, State entities
 - Pandemic public safety plan
 - Health and safety standards for safe schools programs
 - Developing State's critical infrastructure plan
 - Implementing IED program for KS Law Enforcement officers to attend
 - Developing Agro-terrorism plan
- Maj. Bunting: Going to send first Agricultural team to Afghanistan

Committee Reports:

- COOP Working Group Committee Report Brandt Haehn, Nick Kramer
 - 26 agencies participate, kick off on Dec. 15th
 - Thanks to Angee Morgan and Highway Patrol Dept.
 - Training from Dec 15-18, team approach
- County Emergency Plans (CEOP) Report Brandt Haehn
 - County Emergency Operations Plan Status Chart
 - New Chart of Approval, some plans are contracted out, some KDEM providing support, plan for other communities to be involved
- State Hazard Mitigation Committee Report Jake Gray
 - DR- 1808-KS Declared Estimated \$600,000 HMGP
 - Approx. \$55 million in mitigation funding for disasters

- 6 counties have not yet applied, some waived counties, some are waiting for grant finalization, some already approved
- LEPC Appointments Kim Nettleton
 - Standing in for Jennifer Clark
 - Presenting letters for nominations for 12 counties
 - 54 LEPC's submitted nomination/updated membership lists in 2008
 - Working on getting what is needed for all counties to have LEPC's
- Motion to approve by Karen Schyler, seconded Tim East
Randy Duncan abstained from participating due to Sedgwick County having letter submitted for approval
- WMD/State Training Advisory Team Terri Ploger-McCool
Met Nov. 5, 2008
 - Review purpose and functions, Refocus on more collaborative efforts, Training delivered/needed based on the Target Capabilities List (TCL)
 - Are hosting a Training and Exercise Planning Workshop Dec. 19, 2008
Region 7, Feb 2009, other 3 states, Jan 2009
 - Facilitated/report prepared through Regional Exercise Support Program
 - MARC region: Dec. 9, 2008
- Deployable Resources/IMT Committee Report Bill Brubaker
 - Kansas Search and Rescue Working Group KSARWG Task Force 1
 - 7 Homeland Security Regions, State Fire Marshall's Office KS Div of Emergency Mgt., etc. members
 - Task Force 1 will be based in Salina, 2-8 will be in their regions, Goal is to mix and match assets into task forces that all work as one
- Kansas Incident Management Teams Bill Brubaker
 - Next Meeting is Dec. 12 in Salina
 - KSINT.org is a new website, regions can put their information on it
Plans and forms, maps, position descriptions and lots of information there
 - IMT is a group of individuals trained in the Incident Command System and EOC Operations that can assist a jurisdiction or department during an incident or event
 - KS Teams work as a State Asset, under the authority of the Adjutant General and KDEM
 - Teams of 9 in each region come from EM, Fire, LE, EMS, H, PW, Hospitals, CO/City Gov, Private Industry, Education, Volunteer - they are multifunctional
 - Go through County Emergency Manager, State Agencies may request an IMT through KDEM
 - Request Deployment assistance, IMT Manager deploys Team members to scene
 - Who Pays? State or Federal Disaster or KDEM
 - Governance from KS Incident Management Team Working Group
 - Have IMT ID Cards
 - Looking at future and training needed, mirror the State Type 3 Hazards team, continue upgrading all team equipment to be self sufficient
 - 155 members statewide
 - Discussed who is eligible to give and provide services

New Business:

- Public Private Partnership John Prather
 - Delayed forming committee until more structural work has been done in reporting to Chairman and CEPR board.
 - Chair and Vice Chair sit with Angee and Bill to form a more executive committee on the more fundamental structure of CEPR
 - Public Private Partnership has great potential, bring additional private sector and expertise to the table from various companies and public. But want to slow down to work through how to set it up and report back progress of initial committee. Need to get communication established with commission
 - Support given for bringing the private and public sector together for safety and security
 - Essential, it's the right thing to do and will save lives, plus with fiscal issues, it's necessary—Major General Bunting strongly supports this

- KDEM Update
 - Public Assistance Update Steve Harsha, State Public Assistance Officer
 - During times of disasters nationwide, FEMA has a grant program to help out. Through KDEM, we are the grantee of FEMA grant money. Chart in book of utility disasters. Utility damage across state is in the hundreds of millions of dollars. Debris removal is very expensive. 12 current open disasters:
 - DR-1626-KS
 - DR-1638-KS 2 counties
 - DR-1675-KS 44 counties (western part of the state, covered in ice and snow)
 - DR-1699-KS
 - DR-1711-KS 23 counties
 - DR-1741-KS – 65 counties
 - DR-1776-KS – 46 counties, Chapman county tornadoes
 - DR-1808-KS – 9 counties
 - DR-1741-KS - 65 counties
FEMA pays 75%, State pays 10%, applicant pays the rest
\$280,523,082 in damages/cost of repair still not covered and in appeal process
 - DR-1776-KS – 46 counties
 - DR-1808-KS – 9 counties result of severe storms and flooding

 - Category “F” Utility Update
 - Eligibility requirements, differing opinions make it difficult
 - Appreciate support from MG Bunting, Angee Morgan, Mark Krantz from KDOT, Ray Gonzalez and many others mentioned
 - Discussion of financial support and where it comes from

 - After Action Update Terri Ploger-McCool
 - Improvement Planning Workshop has the purpose of 1)Reviewing issues/action items from previous events. 2)Develops consensus on priorities,3) Provides a roadmap for future training and exercise priorities including analyzing jurisdictional capabilities and supporting preparedness planning decisions
 - Workshop on October 29, 2008, State level ESF Leads

Created 7 priorities:

- 1 – Interoperable Communications (55/15)
- 2 – EOC (Emergency Operations Center) Management (51/12)
- 3 – Critical Resource Management (27/10)
- 4 – Onsite Incident Management (23/10)
- 5 – Emergency Public Information (17/6)
- 6 – Mass Care and Sheltering (10/14)
- 7 – Environmental Health (8/14)

- 2009 HMEP Grant Awards Swapan Saha
 - Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant
 - USDOT collects fees from hazmat shippers and carriers and distributes the funds
 - A Planning Grant, A Training Grant
 - Grant proposals are approved by SERC, and must have an active LEPC, training compliance, planning compliance, 20% match, previous grants closed, proper closing documents. No food, equipment and supplies, salary for responders or be LEPC personnel are allowed
 - Planning grant funds \$101,691
 - Training grant funds \$129,194
 - Activities included hosting CAMEO Training, meeting, conferences, radiological training, Village West Vulnerability Assessment project, Hazmat conference, etc.
 - FY 2009 Planning Grant \$165,756 and Training Grant \$226,090 and plan to continue activities as in the past
 - Must be in an active LPEC county
 - Dick Heitschmidt moved and it was Dan McLaughlin seconded to accept the Grants proposed for FY 2009

Fatimatou Ndiaye from EPA gave some information about sending in reports, some various materials in emergency preparedness, chemical emergencies, getting facilities in compliance, training in new software

Changes of how chemical reports are made to the State

Discussion of how facilities know if they need to submit information and then how does the LEPC get a copy of the report after submission has been made. Fatimatou can send the information or give website information for people to be able to see the reports.

John Prather was asking Dan McLaughlin for clarification, there is a new mandate that the State Fire Marshall must inspect every plant to make sure it is in compliance.

Chairman and Vice-Chairman to meet with Angee and Bill to consider forming an “executive committee” to meet between CEPR scheduled board meetings for agenda planning and housekeeping issues.

State Interoperability Committee is meeting next month.

John Prather moved and Tim East seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Next Meeting: March 5, 2009