

SE Kansas Regional Homeland Security Council Minutes August 17, 2010

Call to Order The SE Kansas Regional Homeland Security Council was called to order by Chairman Rick Brown at the South KDOT Building in Chanute at 10:00 am on Tuesday, August 17, 2010.

Roll Call: Members in attendance included Chairman Rick Brown, Ed Garner, Keith Jeffers, Scott Gordon, Byron Shultz, Jim Miller, Scott Wiltse, Donald Leapheart, Paul Ballou, Jim Wilson, James Grimmett, Byrdee Miller-Marcic, Pam Beasley, Chris Way, Dan Bath, and Kevin Jones serving as proxy for Larry Steeby. Guests included SE Regional Coordinator Jackie Miller, Ron Seyl, and Linda Weldon. Cassie Edson served as secretary.

Approval of Minutes: Don Leapheart made a motion to approve the July minutes as presented. Ed Garner seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Fiscal Agent Report: Ron Seyl presented the Fiscal Agent report for grant FY 07, 08, and 09.

FY 07: \$32,729.16 remaining. Commitments must be finalized by the end of September; grant will be closed out in October. Jackie added that orders are being placed now for supplies and equipment, and all money will be used.

FY 08: \$14,616.57 remaining-grant finishes in May 2011

FY 09: \$294,648.39 remaining.

Rescue, Chris Way: Committee is in bid process for equipment. Team should be getting results of final test from recent training soon. 72 people are now on the team. Paratech vendor training will be held on the first Thursday, (August 2) in Chanute. Plans are underway for full exercise at Parsons with a set up similar to Crisis City. Waiting on heavy equipment provided by the city of Parsons before holding exercise.

IMT, Jackie Miller: 07 budget is being finalized. IMT committee met this morning to assign teams and positions to IMT members. Training exercise to be held Oct 12-13.

Pam Beasley mentioned that she has some IMT equipment in storage @ Iola. She will be testing 3 generators to be sure they will work. There are also 3 printers sitting unused. Should one be put to use with rapid tag system? Jackie suggested that the IMT committee should coordinate with the Accountability committee to make this decision.

Law Enforcement, Dan Bath: Training was held recently on hand held fingerprint scanners for region's law enforcement agencies. Dan did not attend training, since Wilson Co had opted out of this because of spotty cell phone reception; therefore he had no other details about the training. At the last joint terrorism task force meeting,

hand held 800 radios were distributed; no other information available regarding the task force.

Planning/GIS, Keith Jeffers: Keith has the GIS cameras to distribute to agencies after today's meeting. Software will be coming soon; should be here by next meeting. Each equipment package will include a camera, protective case, charger, software, & software license. The committee has put together a "Request for Qualifications" for soliciting interest in consultant bidding for developing a regional emergency response work plan, regional emergency operating plan, and a "battle book",. Keith distributed copies of the draft to council members for review. This project involves \$146,000. in grant money which will benefit the entire region. Envisage and AMEC are expected to be among the top contenders for the consultant contract, based on their capabilities and past project experience in the region.

ID/Accountability, Byrdee Miller-Marcic: Hand held scanners have been delivered and training held. Training for the ID badge system is being set up for Woodson and Chautauqua counties. Byrdee has extra blank ID cards. Chris Way suggested dividing them among all the counties; Byron Shultz suggested storing them with the rapid tag system. The extras will be stored with the rapid tag system. Agencies need to practice using the tag system in order to become familiar with it. Byrdee used her hand held scanner at the Elk County LEPC meeting, and SE Regional Homeland Security Council members were checked in at today's meeting with the rapid tag system.

KDEM Report, Jackie Miller: KDEM e-mail is mostly up and running; a few people are not tied into the new system yet. KDEM is still recovering from the server crash. HMPG grant program just closed. Montgomery County applied for a \$55,000.00 regional haz-mat training exercise series. The proposal consists of several three-four county group tabletop exercises with the regional haz-mat team involved in each tabletop. This will eventually culminate in a full scale 12 county tabletop exercise. These multidiscipline exercises can count for the 2011 exercise requirements for EMPG, air monitoring exercise, and haz-mat IQ class. The grant would be sponsored by the Montgomery County LEPC. James Grimmatt is project manager. Jim Miller reminded that everyone must keep track of hours to make the 25% match. Jackie added that no other federal grant funded time can be counted as match since no double dipping is allowed.

Jackie also announced that the SW Regional Homeland Security Coordinator position is open for applications.

Jim Miller asked for clarification on who represents the council on the CEPR law enforcement subcommittee. Ken Parker represents the SE regional council. This correction will be noted in the July council minutes.

Old Business: Keith Jeffers asked if we need to spend the remaining 07 grant funds so that they will not have to be returned. Jackie is working on finalizing equipment and supply orders that will use all of the remaining funds, as previously discussed. All funds will be used in this region, none will be returned.

New Business: no new business

Committee Meetings: The regular meeting was recessed for 45 minutes at 10:45 am for a break and in order for committees to have a chance to meet. Reconvene at 11:30 am, unless additional time is needed by the committees

Reconvened at 11:30 am.

Announcements: Pam Beasley announced that the communications committee will check with the Highway Patrol regarding 800 MHz radio equipment in some counties that has not been installed in violation of the Oct 009 deadline. The status of equipment will be audited, and a decision made as to reassignment or putting them to use.

Keith Jeffers announced that the planning committee voted to approve the "Request for Qualifications draft to submit to the fiscal agent for bids.

The next meeting will be September 21.

Comments From Guests: no guest comments

Adjourn: A motion was made to adjourn; motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.