

LEPC MEETING MINUTES
May 28, 2014

Meeting was called to order by Doug Johnson

Members present: David Gribble, Doug Johnson, Annette Seibold, John Wilson, Jen Steber, Jessica Bomberg, Bob Friberg, Donna Trudell, Jeff DeMuri .

Members absent: Hank Murphy, Jack Bomberg, Chad Hedmark, Barb Bauer, Greg Gulan, Jeanette Bomberg (excused), Kelly Crotty (excused), Jeff Rickaby, Bill Witynski, Tyler Wood

Others Present: Pat Smith, Jim Lienau Cellcom - VP of Engineering, John LaShua Cellcom – Area Business Manager

Approval of last meeting minutes. Motion by Steber, second by Seibold to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Discussion and/or action on County 911 system – Sheriff Rickaby

No Report

b. Discussion and/or action on County Hazmat Team – David Gribble

Gribble reported that the County Hazmat Team has had no runs since the last LEPC meeting. Gribble reported the team held a quarterly meeting on May 15th and have their annual physicals scheduled for July 28th.

c. Discussion and/or action on mutual aid agreement between WPS and

Florence Utility – Bob Friberg. Friberg reported that there has been no movement on a mutual aid agreement between WPS and Florence Utility. Friberg mentioned that WPS has begun a project this spring to bury their main

transmission line along State Hwy 101 in Fern and Fence Townships which he feels will eliminate the majority of the power outage incidents for WPS therefore eliminating the need for a mutual aid agreement. It was the concencous of the committee to remove this item from the agenda.

d. Discussion and/or action on Courthouse Exercise for 2014

Gribble reported to the committee on the tabletop exercise held on May 8th at the Courthouse. The exercise was very well attended with over 70 participant's/observers attending and Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) will be completing and after action report (AAR) based on his observations and comments made by those in attendance. Some of the improvements have already been implemented. Gribble reported that a functional exercise will be held in the fall of 2014 with a full-scale exercise scheduled for summer/fall 2015.

e. Discussion and/or action on Propane Shortage – Contingency Plan

Gribble reported to the committee that he participated in a state conference call After Action Report (AAR) on the propane shortage from this past winter. Gribble has not seen a copy of the report as yet but will share with the committee when it is received.

f. Discussion and/or action on Elementary School Shelter Plan

Committee members Gribble, Seibold, Steber, Bauer and Wilson participated in a meeting on April 10th between the County, School District and Red Cross and establishing a shelter plan and updating the MOU between the Red Cross, School District and County for use of the elementary school as a shelter. The meeting included a walk-through of the Elementary School was very beneficial for everyone. All that attended felt the meeting was very productive and a new MOU has been signed.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Election of Officers. President – Gribble nominated Johnson, second by Seibold. Gribble motioned that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Johnson. Motion passed. Vic-President – Friberg nominated Bomberg, second by Steber. Friberg motioned that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballet be cast for Bomberg. Motion passed. Secretary – Friberg nominated Gribble, second by Seibold. Steber motioned that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballet be cast for Gribble. Motion passed.

b. Presentation by Jim Lienau NSight and Cellcom Wireless – Lienau gave a presentation on Cellcom including an overview, Coverage map, Niagara Telephone. Lineau provided a PowerPoint that included coverage maps and future cell site additions and services. Lineau reported that of the 5 towers in Florence County that purchased from Cirrinity 3 have been turned on with the remaining 2 towers to be turned on at the end of 2014. Jim LaSua from Cellcom was also in

attendance and provided an overview of products and services provided by Cellcom.

- c. Discussion and/or action on new location for County Emergency Operations Center (EOC)** Forestry & Parks Administrator Pat Smith attended the meeting. Smith reported that he invited Gribble and Seibold to the May monthly Resource Center Building Committee to discuss using the lower level conference room as an EOC. He reported that representatives from the WDNR and US Forest Service had no problems with the County utilizing the conference room as an EOC but did not offer any money towards the project. Smith has met with Gribble, Seibold and Steber to discuss funding some upgrades to the room such as wireless internet, additional land lines and projector equipment. Smith will be able to fund the wireless out of his budget and Seibold will use the remainder of a Public Health Grant to fund phone lines and audio/visual upgrades. We plan to implement the upgrades in the next month

Board Member Concerns/Comments: Trudell reported the County Building and Grounds Committee has been discussing back up power for the Courthouse. Chairman Ed Winger was inquiring if the generator that powers the Public Safety Build could also power the Courthouse. Gribble reported that in discussions with Mike Demko, Mike felt some of the Courthouse could be run using the Public Safety generator but the costs to hook the Courthouse to the Public Safety Building would be expensive. Demko's recommendation would be for a stand-alone generator for the Courthouse. He is in the process of putting together quotes for powering the Courthouse both ways.

Citizen Concerns/Comments: None

Motion by Friberg, second by McCoy to adjourn. Motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned. Next meeting date is September 24, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Gribble
Emergency Management Director