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Champaign County Local Emergency Management Program Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

March 26th, 2019

Location: ILEAS Boardroom 1701 E. Main St. Urbana, IL 61802 Time: 10:30 AM

I. Welcome and Introductions

Acting Chair Bill James called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. and introductions were made.

II. Public Comment

No public comments were offered.

III. Approval of the minutes from October 30th, 2018 meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting was made by

IV. Purpose

To provide coordinated input by emergency management program stakeholders in the preparation, implementation, evaluation, and revision of the emergency management program.

V. Report on meeting the needs of the community in the following areas:

1. Weather

Severe winter weather at beginning of year highlighted the need for warming shelters within the C-U community. The efforts of C-U at home is appreciated and commended for their ability to rapidly adapt to the changing needs of the community during this period of sub-zero weather. If the weather for summer is as bad as this winter, then the need for cooling centers will be in high demand. March brought summer weather to the area in the form of high wind warning and a tornado watch. This information is

shared with key community leaders as well as being posted on Facebook and twitter. As a reminder the outdoor sirens are designed to alert people outdoors of the severe weather. Indoors a weather alert radio is highly recommended.

NWS Spotter training will take place on Thursday 28 March at 6:30 pm at Parkland College at the Tony Noel Agricultural Technology Application Center Room W115.

2. Public Education

CN RR presentation representative from the CN railroad provide to the LEPC an informative briefing on the operation of the CN Railroad, response procedures in place and the availability of CN training resources.

RPC recently completed the commodity flow study of the Norfolk and Southern RR. Results mirror those found with the earlier rail and road studies, the most frequently transported products are: flammable, gases and corrosives.

CCEMA was interview by the local Champaign City channel on weather preparedness, the program is due to air in April.

Play It Safe will be held on 18 May at the Leonhard Center.

Assisted Illini EMS with fulfilling requirements for an award.

3. Disabled and special needs

Provided additional information brochures to MTD. Reviewed several nursing and dialysis center plans.

4. Minimizing the community and financial impact as result of emergencies and disasters

Conducted on-site visits to dialysis facilities

Met with Vermillion County EMA on emergency planning efforts.

Several school related information packets were sent to the schools.

CCEMA is getting more weather alert radios for distribution to schools, medical facilities and other authorized site.

5. Training and Training Opportunities

Attended training sponsored by the Pipelines.

Attended IEMA COG and Coop training

Attended the Senior Officials Workshop sponsored by TEEX.

6. Innovation through Technology

Working to integrate the outdoor warning sirens of Champaign, Urbana, Savoy and U of I into a state-of-the-art intelligent activation system that would automatically sound sirens in an area identified as being in a tornado warning. Currently for any tornado warning all of the sirens in these communities are activated regardless of the portion of the community in a tornado warning.

Inclusion of vetted amateur radio operators into disaster response. Providing more flexibility to needs and lessening the drain on government radio systems.

Collection of the 2018 Tier II reports, CCEMA was able to generate a goggle-based map for the local fire department. When an icon is selected, the name of the company, emergency phone numbers and chemicals in use is display. No computer or special skills required to access this information.

VI. Open Discussion

Vic White, Prairieview-Ogden. Really appreciates the presence of the deputies from the Sheriff's Office at or near the schools during the loading or unloading of students. Would like to coordinate with CCEMA on creating a tabletop exercise for the school based on a tornado strike while the school is in session. Effective July 2019 there will be a new regional school superintendent Gary Lewis. Deb Goettig identified that Red Cross can provide training or information for latch-key kids and for an elementary age audience.

Becky Rowe ESST team's mission is to provide support to citizens in the Champaign, Urbana and Savoy emergency responders that meet with tragic event (house fire) and provide for the immediate needs prior to Red Cross being brought in, usually the next day. Agreement has been made with Candlewood Suites to provide one night of lodging for victims.

Rob Dalhaus Introduced the newest member to the C-U at home staff, Aleta Keith. 70 E Washington is the main facility for C-U at home activities. Winter of 2019-20 the Men's Shelter will fall under the C-U organization. As with the winter, summer will bring the need for cooling centers. C-U at home can always use more volunteers.

Susan Monte Now with Planning and Zoning, Grant paperwork has been submitted for the County Multi-Hazard program, response is expected in May 2019 as to the grant. Is in the process of addressing the need for a more timely and available sites to dispose of household wastes, including large items and TV's.

Iris Ducey, IEMA Region 7 Introduced the newest member of the Region staff-Richard Williams planner and trainer. Vermillion county will be hosting a HSEEP 2-day course beginning on 14 August at the Vermillion county EMA Office-sign up online.

Sherry Wooten U of I PD announced that the emergency management office at the UI is now down to one person with a second to be added in the next few months. If you need to contact Sherry call, do not email due to the amount of email being received.

Deb Goettig- Red Cross is having an open house at Champaign Station 1 on April 3 from noon to 2:00 pm. Looking for volunteers for April 13 Free Smoke Alarm Installation. Contact CFD 217-403-7200 to schedule an appointment for installation. Volunteers will meet at the Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church at 8:15am for training on April 13.

VII. Next Meeting: October 29th, 2019 and reminder to complete the Open Meetings Act.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to approve the adjournment of meeting was made by Deb Goettig and seconded by Rob Dalhaus, all approved.

Yearly Requirement: Please complete the Open Meetings Act training at:

http://foia.ilattorneygeneral.net/Default.aspx

Attendees:

Bill James CCEMA Sherry Wooten UIPD Stephanie Vogelsang UIPD

Vic White Prairieview-Ogden
Rob Dalhaus C-U at home
Aleta Keith C-U at home

Levi Kopmann Savoy

Richard Williams IEMA Reg 7 Iris Ducey IEMA Reg 7

Deb Goettig ARC

Kevin Sweeny Carle Hospital

Tony Shaw CCSO
Susan Monte CC P&Z
Becky Rowe ESST