

Grant Local Emergency Planning Committee  
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May 15, 2014 LEPC Minutes

Don Button called the meeting to order at 11:33AM. Members present were Don Button, Vivian Button, Richard Everett, Kristy Frazee, Sam Hayden, Cathy Hernandez, Nancy Lucas, Nahum Manzano and Melissa Martinez.

Nancy Lucas made a motion to approve the minutes to the April meeting. Nahum Manzano seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Don talked about the LEPC Conference in Junction City, he attended the Ethanol Course by BNSF and they talked about some of the other railroad issues. Some of the other information was the Improvements to the Tier II reporting; spill notification and reporting; Industry and LEPC Coordination; LEPC and county planning; working with EPA laws; Reporting incidents to KDEM "What to Report and When"; and LEPCs and exercises. Vivian talked about the Computer Aid Management of Emergency Operations class and the KDHE department that receives the Tier II reports.

Over 70 participants have signed up for the South West Kansas Regional Health Coalition's Regional 18 County Tabletop in Garden City on July 10th. Kristy will send out invitations to the Commissioners. It is very important they are included in the exercise. Kansas Division of emergency Management is rolling out a Kansas Exercise Tracking System (KETS) which is a new program track exercises and a central location for all paperwork. All counties have to designate an exercise programmer and all exercises will be entered into the tracking system.

The Regional Council met on May 1<sup>st</sup> to discuss the projects for the FY14 funding. Most of the projects will be for sustainability of the Incident Management teams, Search and Rescue Team, Hazmat team and the interoperability of communications. They will also be adding some more generator light towers, cattle panels and 800 Mhz radios for Public Works. They are looking at a mass casualty trailer and a membership to MERGe for Medical. For Law Enforcement they are considering Active shooter training for dispatch and officers. Don has to go to the Commission on Emergency Planning and Response (CERP) meeting to present the projects.

Twenty people have enrolled for the Strike Team Task force leader training on May 30, 31 and June 1. Seven are from Ulysses.

The weather issues were discussed with more radical storms and tornadoes, flooding and snow in some areas. KWCH television station sent a list of their spotters. This was requested at the Integrated Warning Team (IWT) meeting. The IWT consist of National Weather Service, Media and Emergency Management.

There are still some issues with the Health and medical ID cards. Green is for medical however they now say if you are not registered in K-serv (which is voluntary) you are suppose to get a gray card.

Blue Valley was in Ulysses on Wednesday and completed the siren maintenance.

Some of the upcoming trainings are: Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) Workshop May 20, 21 & 22 at Garden City; HSEEP July 8 to 10 Newton; G202 Debris Management Planning June 17-19 Salina or Dec 9-11 Location to be determined; G489 July 15 Management of Spontaneous Volunteers in Disaster at Jetmore; G775 EOC Management and Operations June 11 and 12 (11 signed up); and PER-902 Hospital Emergency Response Training for Mass Casualty Incidents in Hugoton on June 25 or 26<sup>th</sup>.

The Kansas Preparedness Summit will be July 25 and 26 in Topeka.

Cathy Hernandez talked about the Vigilant Guard Exercise in August.

Richard Everett talked about American Red Cross shelter training in Hugoton on June 26 at 1pm and Tribune on June 10<sup>th</sup>. An online section has to be completed before the training. They are still working on the AAR/IP for the April 8<sup>th</sup> exercise.

Kristy Frazee is still working on the Community Health Improvement Plan. The Health Department will be starting school physicals soon and the TB vaccine shortage is over.

Nancy Lucas ask if Don could conduct some training on the 800 radio for the hospital. Sam Hayden was also interested in some radio training. Don asked them both for contact information for KDOT so when the towers are being worked on they can send out information.

Nancy Lucas stated the Intense Care Unit (ICU) is up and running.

Melissa Martinez from Compass Behavioral Health stated they are having more crisis calls. They also need to work with the hospital and Law enforcement on screening protocols. She stated they have the new sign on the building.

Sam Hayden talked about needing bus drivers for the school. It is a part-time job.

The next regular meeting 6-19-2014 at 11:30am.

Motion to adjourn by Kristy and seconded by Sam. Meeting adjourned at 1PM.