

## Grant Local Emergency Planning Committee

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September 24, 2015 LEPC Meeting

Don Button called the meeting to order at 11:30am on September 24, 2015 with 9 members and one guest. Those present were Danny Law, Shelia Limbocker, Nancy Lucas, Carol Baker, Don Button, Vivian Button, John Crosby, Jerry Jo Deckert, Cathy Hernandez and Richard Everett. Don Robertson, Kearny County Emergency Management was the guest.

Jerry Deckert made a motion to approve the minutes to the August meeting. John Crosby seconded. Motion carried.

A Tier II from Wilton Petroleum was received on September 23.

The Department of Ag Foreign Animal Disease Exercise will be conducted from December 14<sup>th</sup> thru the 17<sup>th</sup>. Grant County will participate on Wednesday December 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 1pm.

A hazmat functional exercise to test the Emergency Operation Center function will be November 17<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 2pm. This will allow the hospital and health department and other departments to meet their exercise requirements. We will have a pot luck lunch. Meat and buns will be provided. We are asking participants to bring salads, chips and dip or a dessert. Other county exercises are Stevens County - December 10, Haskell County - January 14, Ford County - March 15<sup>th</sup>, Clark County - October 7<sup>th</sup>, Lane County - October 20<sup>th</sup> and Hodgeman - November 20<sup>th</sup>.

Dates have not been set for the southwest classes for the 73<sup>rd</sup> Civil Support Donning and Doffing class-1056977. At this time they are looking at Dodge, Liberal or Garden for these classes after the first of the year. The dates and locations so far are Hiawatha 10/21, Manhattan 10/22, and Topeka 10/23. At the last meeting it was stated that some of the Regional Hospital Coordinators could conduct this class. Nothing has been set up with the Regional Hospital Coordinators.

The key note speaker at the KEMA Conference was Frank Patterson the Incident Commander at the West Texas Explosion. He talked about the issues and other things he was dealing with. He was not from West. He is the Emergency Manger for Waco and McLennan County Texas. He talked about how important it is for industry to be involved in the Local Emergency Planning Committee. Don Button assisted in teaching a class on Incident Action Plans. They are also looking at developing an ICS 300 four-hour refresher class. The ICS 300 is a 2 to 3 day course.

Copies of the 2014 Training and Exercise Planning Worksheet were passed out for review and e-mail to members. We will update this for 2015 at the October meeting.

Kansas Division of Emergency Management has developed a Capabilities Assessment on line tool to assess the needs of the counties. Don would like to start working on this in January. The Safety Group that meets in Garden City will be holding training on the Form A on November 18<sup>th</sup>.

Shelia Limbocker with the American Red Cross said they are in need of volunteers in the southwest counties. She has 22 counties from Ness County to the Colorado Line and from Clark to the Colorado line. Red Cross is simplifying their paperwork. They will be at the Safety Fest in October.

Cathy Hernandez stated the Five State Regional Meeting in Guymon will be November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Danny Law, Pioneer Electric Coop Inc., stated the Safety Fest will be October 3<sup>rd</sup>. He also stated they had given their safety presentation to American Implement and the City of Liberal and Seward County.

Jerry Jo Deckert stated they will conduct a Pre-hospital trauma life support Class (PHTLS) on September 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> at EMS. They will also be conducting an Emergency Pediatric Course on October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.

John Crosby stated the Fire Department will be busy in October with Tours from High School to the Pre-school. They also have 10 taking the Fire Fighter I class.

Nancy Lucas and Carol Baker talked about the Central Plains Expo on infection control held in Wichita. She said they still have to ask the Ebola questions it is not going away yet. The hospital has their due diligence completed and are still looking at October 1<sup>st</sup> for the transition with Centura Health.

Kansas Division of Emergency Management classes coming up are: Homeland security Exercise and Evaluation Program (KSEEP) will be in Wichita on October 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. The Garden City class has been canceled. The G290 Basic PIO November on 10-11, 2015 and the G291 Joint Information System/Center Planning Course for Tribal, State and Local Public Information Officers on November 12 will be in Wamego. MGT 433 Isolation & quarantine for Rural Communities Training will be November 12, in Burlington. 0-305 All Hazards Incident Management Team Course –Command & General Staff will be November 2-6 in Salina (Don is Teaching). This class is mainly for the IMT Teams.

The Kansas Animal Preparedness Conference will be October 16 and 17 at the Drury Hotel in Wichita, Kansas. The cost is \$40.

Stanton County will hold a Drive thru flu clinic Point of Distribution Exercise in Johnson on October 21 from 10am to 2pm.

The next regular meeting will be October 15, 2015 at 11:30am at Grant County Courthouse Basement training room.

Motion to adjourn was made by Nancy Lucas and seconded by Carol Baker. The Meeting was adjourned at 12:30pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Vivian Button.