

**Grant County Local Emergency Planning Committee**  
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Don Button called the November 21, 2019 Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 9:35 AM at Grant County Fire Department, 715 E Oklahoma Ave. Those attending were Don Button, Vivian Button, Jerry Deckert, Richard Everett, Darcy Gollither, Toni Irvin, Christy Wooley, Mike Wooley and Ron Younger.

Ron Younger made a motion to approve the minutes to the October 24, 2019 LEPC Meeting. Mike Wooley seconded. Motion carried.

Communications/Mail – flier from Energy Transfer on Pipeline safety and Emergencies.

**Old (Unfinished) Business**

Exercise Committee—(Don Button, John Crosby, Jill Robinson and Todd White)-. Buffalo Dunes Exercise August 27 AAR/IP Don is finishing the paperwork.

Nov 4<sup>th</sup> Region C & D Mitigation meeting was held in Ulysses and was attended by Grant, Kearny, and Stanton Counties, Pioneer Electric Cooperative, Bob Wilson Memorial Hospital, USD 214 and the City of Ulysses. We are filling out initial paperwork and will have another meeting in January.

Update on the 5 state Regional EM Conference in Liberal Nov 6-8 with about 60 people attending. They had a three day exercise including fires and tornadoes affecting all five states. Trainings included Medical Hazmat and Decon, Community Storm Shelters, National Weather Service update, Civil Air Patrol, Rescue Task Force Project, Public Information and Warning, Interoperable Communication Methods, Mental Health for the First Responder and Long Term Recovery.

Don talked about the Rescue Task Force Project which was funded by the Regional Homeland Security funding. Part of the project was sending them for training that they could bring to the Region. This training includes 2-day Active Shooter training they can do for communities and a 2-hour Run, Hide, Fight training and a 2-hour Stop the Bleed. Stop the Bleed is how to put on tourniquets and control bleeding for Active Shooter injuries or other injuries. This is supposed to be at no cost to the communities.

**New Business**

Grant County has had no Spill Reports since September 26.

Don attended the Franklin County Incident Management Team 2-day Incident Command Post and Emergency Operations Center exercise. This was a functional/full scale exercise that 50 local citizens and 25 Incident Management Team members took part in. They worked in the Emergency Operations Center and with Incident Command on a Tornado hitting the area. Would Grant County like to have an exercise of this kind here? Darcy said it would be worth doing. Jerry Jo said if we could do it and not cost us anything, she thinks we should bring it to the City and County.

800 MHz radio template upgrade--The state has discontinued all Fire, EMS and Public Works talk groups on the State Template. They said they were not used enough. Mutual Aid for Grant County can now use Emergency Operation Center and Law Enforcement talk groups. J L Ellis with the state said not to change anything on your radios for at least 6 months.

Don said the Fire Task Force for our area hope to start operating in January. The state finally approved a frequency for the task force.

Missy Martinez came into the office this morning and was looking for 3 people to help judge a Chili cooking contest on Friday at the 4-H building.

The state has asked Don to take the G2300 Train-the-trainer in Carson City, Nevada on January 28 to 30. He is one of three Emergency Managers in the state asked to go.

#### Upcoming training

- a. Dec 18-19 ID 1083796 G0290 Basic Public Information Officer -Pratt
- b. Jan 7-8 ID 1088068 MFT-341 Disaster Preparedness for Healthcare Organization within the Community Infrastructure -Wichita
- c. Feb. 18-20 ID 1088038 G0300 Incident Command System Course Salina
- d. Feb. 18-20 ID 1088038 G0300 Incident Command System Course Dodge City
- e. April 15-16 ID 1088072 G0400 Advanced Incident Command System Salina
- f. April 2020 G0290 Basic Public Information Officer (this is not on the schedule yet.)

#### Public Comments

Darcy said the Hospital will be holding Active Shooter Training on January 15. They will start working on updating the hospital's emergency operations plan.

Richard said the KDHE exercise will be April 15-16-17 and the public health will have to set up a point of distribution (POD). All Health Departments must participate. The area Health Departments will set up the POD in Stevens County. He said Emergency Managers need to be available if something is requested. They will have a meeting the beginning of December to get more information. Some of the capabilities to be tested are Community Recovery, Emergency Operation Center Coordination, Public Information and Warning and Med Surge. Darcy said the Coalition Test usually also includes Long Term Care facilities.

Ron Younger said the Emergency Department remodel has been moved to after the holidays.

Jerry Jo Deckert talked about the remodeling of City Hall and the offices are located across the street during the remodeling.

Toni Irvin said the Health Department has flu shots including the shots for older people.

The next regular meeting will be January 23, 2020 at 9:30am at the Grant County Fire Station at 715 E. Oklahoma Ave.

Darcy made a motion to adjourn at 10:10am. Toni seconded and motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Vivian Button