

MINUTES of the REGION 26 COUNCIL
July 25, 2017

Region 26 Council:

Present:	Absent:
Blaine Co: Roger Guggenmos	Garfield Co: Paige Measner
Greeley Co: Doug Wrede	Loup Co: Jack Ruppel
Thomas Co: Gary Eng	Valley Co: Jack Van Slyke
Sherman Co: Tom Bandur	
Wheeler Co: Jack Poulsen, Vice-Chair	
Law Enforce: Dave Weeks	
Range Co. Municipalities:	
Blaine, Loup, Garfield, Wheeler	
Doug Reiter	
Tri-Co Municipalities:	
Valley, Greeley, Sherman	
Jay Meyer, Chairman	

Staff Present: Alma Beland/Director

Visitors Present: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman Meyer.

Roll Call was taken with eight (8) members present.

The meeting being duly posted and a quorum present, the Chairman proclaimed this meeting to be a legal meeting and acknowledged that the Open Meeting Act was posted in the meeting room.

Introductions were done for Thomas County representative, Gary Eng.

Motion by Tom Bandur and seconded by Dave Weeks to approve the June 27, 2017 Minutes.
Ayes (7) Nays (0) Abstain (1).

Motion by Jack Poulsen and seconded by Doug Wrede to approve the June 2017 Financial Statement.
Ayes (8) Nays (0) Abstain (0).

There was no NRIN Board Meeting Report due to the meeting being postponed for lack of quorum.

Alma said that the North Central Region PET Board nominated her at the last meeting for the North Central Region representative on the NRIN Board with Mark Rempe/Custer County as an alternate. Alma said that the counties in the North Central Region would have to accept the nomination before it went forward to the NRIN Board. The form has not come out yet from the Public Policy Center for the Chairman to sign. Jack Poulsen made a motion to approve the nomination and for Chairman Meyer to sign the form, Dave Weeks seconded the motion.
Ayes (8) Nays (0) Abstain (0).

Alma had Ericson Ford try to find a vehicle that met her specifications. At this time they had not found a vehicle with low mileage that fit into the budget. There was discussion at other places to consider and if the price was good to look at new over used. Garaging for a new vehicle was discussed.

The Lower Loup NRD Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan update was completed by JEO Consulting. Region 26 was a part of the plan along with the counties and villages/cities of Loup,

Garfield, Wheeler, Greeley, Valley and Sherman. The Upper Loup NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan covered Blaine and Thomas Counties. Tom Bandur made a motion to adopt Resolution #2017-1 approving the update of the Lower Loup NRD Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan including Region 26. Ayes (8) Nays (0) Abstain (0).

Criminal Justice Board Report: Sheriff Weeks had nothing to report.

Communications Center Report: Alma handed out a breakdown of the statistics for the previous month. They had 16 – 911 hang up calls, 124 Alarm Test, 23 Animal, 43 Animal Out, 29 Auto Accident, 2 Break & Enter, 32 Burn Permits, 1 Bus Check, 1 Child Abuse, 143 Citizen Call, 9 Domestic Disturbance, 3 Department of Roads, 2 DUI, 29 Fire, 3 Funeral Escort, 83 Medical Call, 2 Mental Health, 6 Minor Disturbance, 1524 Misc. Officer Task, 11 Missing Person, 6 Motorist Assist, 321 Pager/Siren Test, 1 Railroad, 21 Reckless Driving, 52 Reminder Page, 1 Runaway, 6 Speeding, 14 Standby/Rodeo, 1 Suicidal, 13 Suspicious Vehicle, 13 Theft, 134 Traffic Stop, 9 Transport, 1 Trespassing, 7 Unit Maintenance, 9 Utilities, 29 Vehicle Inspection, 43 Weather, 2 Welfare Check. Total contacts for the month of June was 2,769. Alma reported that they were still working on map adjustments to the system with Emergency Call Works.

Director's Report:

At the North Central Region PET meeting last week it was reported that Deuel County left the North Central Region to join the Panhandle Region. No further discuss was held on Perkins County to join the North Central Region. The 5-year training plan was reviewed to keep the Region on track with NEMA. The grant payouts were reviewed.

The Valley-Sherman LEPC was held this month at the Lower Loup NRD board room in Ord. There was a tour of the facility and a presentation on their work at Davis Creek camp ground for emergency purposes. Valley View Living Center was there to discuss their emergency plans and also to join the LEPC.

Alma reported that the FEMA/NEMA kickoff meeting for the April 30th snowstorm disaster was held on the 13th here at Region 26 for Rock, Holt, Garfield, Valley, Loup, Blaine and Custer Counties that were listed in the disaster for the power outages. All of the Public Power districts that were involved were represented. Blaine County was the only one that we did not have a Declaration submitted. They would be handling that at tomorrow's Blaine County meeting.

There has been the formation of the NA911 – Nebraska Association of 911 Managers. With the upcoming changes to Next-Gen 911 in our dispatch centers and with the passing of LB938 for 911 there was a need for the 911 Directors/Managers to come together and to be an affiliate group in NACO. Alma said she planned to be a part of that Association.

There had been work with Burwell to determine if their siren could be hooked up to Region 26. There was work done on the Litchfield siren but had not been fixed at this point. Alma reported on the issues with the Thedford/Halsey/Purdum/Dunning radios and pagers. The system was down through Sunday night until Platte Valley was there to make repairs.

There was discussion on the Wheeler County frequencies with Bartlett and Ericson. Alma also reported that she would be attending the LEDRS Conference in Kearney in August to assist with credentialing and also for conference attendance on Livestock Disease.

Other Business: None

Next regular meeting date will be August 29, 2017.

Chairman Meyer adjourned the meeting at 8:29 PM.

Alma Beland, Director/Coordinator

Acronyms:

CAD – Computer Aided Dispatch
CC – Communications Center
CERT – Community Emergency Response Team
DR – Disaster Recovery
E911 – Enhanced 911
ECW – Emergency Call Works (New 911 Equip Company)
EM – Emergency Manager
EOC – Emergency Operations Center
FEMA – Federal Emergency Management Agency
ICS – Incident Command System
LEPC – Local Emergency Planning Committee
LEDRS – Livestock Emergency Disease Response System
NA911 – Nebraska Association of 911 Managers
NACO – Nebraska Association of County Officials
NEMA – Nebraska Emergency Management Agency
NESCA – Nebraska Emergency Services Communicators Association
NCR – North Central Region
NCTC – Nebraska Central Telephone Company
NIRMA – Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association
NRIN – Nebraska Regional Interoperable Network
NX-Gen – Next Generation 911
PET – Planning Exercise Training
PSAP – Public Safety Answering Point (911 Communications Center)
PSC – Public Service Commission
PVC – Platte Valley Communications
SRS – State Radio System