

## MINUTES of the REGION 26 COUNCIL

August 25, 2015

Region 26 Council:

Present:

Blaine Co: Roger Guggenmos  
Greeley Co: Doug Wrede  
Loup Co: Jack Ruppel  
Sherman Co: Tom Bandur  
Valley Co: Jack Van Slyke  
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

Absent:

Garfield Co: Paige Measner  
Thomas Co: Kevin Hood, Chairman

Staff Present: Alma Beland/Director, Virginia Michalski/Co-Chief Dispatcher

Visitors Present: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 by Vice-Chairman Poulsen.

Roll Call was taken with nine (9) members present.

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

Motion by Tom Bandur and seconded by Dave Weeks to approve the July 28, 2015 Minutes.  
Ayes (9) Nays (0) Abstain (0).

Motion by Jack Van Slyke and seconded by Doug Reiter to approve the July 2015 Financial Statement.  
Ayes (9) Nays (0) Abstain (0).

Alma gave an update on the Ord Tower site. She had sent information to our tower consultant regarding the changes we were considering to contact Verizon with our plans. Ed Cole sent a notice back that Verizon was taking our plans into consideration. The old lease was discussed regarding the filing at the Court House.

Criminal Justice Board Report: Sheriff Dave Weeks gave a report on the Sheriff/PD meeting held here on the 14<sup>th</sup>. Alma had the Command unit out for them to go through. They lined up training dates that would work into the Law Enforcement schedules for the classes that the North Central Region was planning for them.

Alma had sent out a FirstNet survey for the Sheriffs to complete and submit. They had discussed the Ord frequency being scratchy. Donna and Virginia talked to the Sheriffs regarding the NCJIS (Nebraska Criminal Justice Information System) to enter protection orders and the training they would need. The State Patrol came and gave a presentation on the Fusion Center to help them understand the information they had available to assist Law Enforcement.

Communications Center Report: Co-Chief Dispatcher, Virginia Michalski gave a breakdown of the statistics for the previous month. They had 12 Generator, 76 NAWAS, 82 Siren, 223 alarm, 9 Office,

665 Page, 2591 Radio, 2032 Phone, 358 – 911 calls, 88 Administrative, 834 Ambulance, 385 Public, 27 Department of Roads, 455 Fire, 2 Guest, 11 Hospital, 3401 Law Enforcement, 604 Test, 241 Weather. Total number of contacts to the Communications Center for the month of July was 12,096.

Virginia explained the NCJIS in more detail on what it would entail for dispatch. Donna and her had attended the Protection Portal training in North Platte last week and the additional training for NCJIS, they needed was going to be through a webinar here at the EOC.

Donna and Virginia attended the mayday training this morning at Custer Public Power in Broken Bow with the linemen on calling 911. Virginia said they returned to Taylor this afternoon for training with Corey from Platte Valley to use the new radio system that had been installed as our backup. Corey also listened to radio traffic concerning the static with the Ord frequency. There was one of the 911 trunk lines that was down today and the telephone company was working to find the problem.

Director's Report: Alma reported on the THIRA (Threat Hazard Identification Risk Assessment) meeting that was held here on the 13<sup>th</sup> for the North Central Region. There were a number of Fire and EMT's that came along with the North Central Region Emergency Managers. The Public Policy Center facilitated the discussion working through the disaster scenario to determine our capabilities.

Alma had the Command Unit out on the road to several places to allow the departments know what the set up was and how it could be used.

The auditors had made contact to start the annual audit in the next month.

The paperwork for signatures on the Certificate of Deposit going to the Henderson State Bank in Greeley was handled.

Alma reported on the 3.6 earthquake southeast of Halsey last week and the extra phone calls that followed.

There will be a North Central Region meeting for FirstNet here on September 16<sup>th</sup> that was scheduled by the State OCIO office.

The Central District NACO meeting on September 17<sup>th</sup> was discussed regarding the Emergency Management letter sent out in regards to the meeting.

Other Business: None

Next regular meeting date will be September 29, 2015.

Vice-Chairman Poulsen adjourned the meeting at 8:10 PM.

Alma Beland  
Director/Coordinator