

## MINUTES of the REGION 26 COUNCIL

09/24/2019

Region 26 Council:

Present:	Absent:
Blaine Co: Roger Guggenmos	Thomas Co: Gary Eng
Garfield Co: Larry Donner (Alternate)	Sherman Co: Tom Bandur, Vice-Chair
Greeley Co: Jordan Foltz	Valley Co: Jack Van Slyke
Loup Co: Jack Ruppel	
Wheeler Co: Doug Pokorny	
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 and Virginia Michalski/Co-Chief Dispatcher

Visitors Present: None

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

Roll Call was taken with seven (7) 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.

Motion by Dave Weeks and seconded by Doug Pokorny to approve the August 2019 Minutes.

Ayes (7) Nays (0) Abstain (0).

Alma handed out a copy of the amount that was awarded for the 2019 Homeland Security Grant for the North Central Region with a breakdown of line items. There was a line item on the budget report for the grant since she knew it was awarded but was waiting for exact amount before entering it into the report to show spend down of the grant. It was entered on our report since Alma is the Fiscal Agent for the grant.

2019 Grant to be entered onto the budget report: \$297,031.00

    CERT Training: \$8,000

    Cyber Security Training - \$16,000

    Law Enforcement Training - \$29,250

    Rock County NRIN Tower - \$58,000

    North Central NRIN Maintenance - \$50,255

    North Central Credentialing & Resource Management - \$44,200

    North Central Livestock Response & Recovery Trailer - \$79,326

    North Central PET - \$12,000

2019 EMPG Grant was awarded for Region 26 for \$74,564.00 to use for wages.

Motion by Doug Reiter and seconded by Dave Weeks to approve the August 2019 Financial Statement.

Ayes (7) Nays (0) Abstain (0).

Larry Donner arrived as alternate for Dianna Hurlburt.

Disaster DR#4420 Extension Update: Alma handed out a copy of email from NEMA on the plans for extending the DR#4420 if it can get passed and also that NEMA was going to be doing a preliminary

assessment for further damages then the current dates of the DR#4420 Federal Disaster. There had been an online webinar for Procurement Training that NEMA had done but by the time Alma had received it there was not time to let anyone know of it. Alma will see if there is a recording of the training.

**Tower Report:** Alma stated that NIRMA was wanting to close the claim on the tower that went down last year. I told them I was not sure at this time due to not hearing from Landowner. Also there had been no payment made to Platte Valle Communications from installing the Weather Radio Antenna. Alma did report that Verizon came and picked up their extra equipment and old batteries at the Ord site. The old generator from the Sargent site is listed on Big Iron for the October 9<sup>th</sup> auction. Alma reported to them that Ed Knott of Albion had stopped in to check on getting onto the Greeley tower with his equipment for Internet connection to the Greeley area.

**Criminal Justice Board Report:** Sheriff Weeks reported that some of the Sheriffs came to Region 26 to do a training with dispatch on the Justice Data Solutions System.

**Communications Center Report:** Co-Chief Dispatcher, Virginia Michalski, gave a breakdown of the statistics for the previous month. They had 847 Status checks, 264 Alarm test, 110 Citizen Calls, 97 Wants/Warrants, 96 Vehicle Inspection/Registration, 89 Pager Test, 86 Medical Calls, 81 Weather, 75 Traffic Stops, 70 Animal Out, 67 Miscellaneous Officer Task, 63 – 911 No Contact/Accidental, 44 Animal, 33 Burn Permit, 30 Auto Accident, 30 Gun Permits, 28 Standby (Game/Rodeo/Etc.), 26 Security Alarm, 26 Domestic Disturbance, 26 Motorist Assist, 26 Reminder Pages, 24 Reckless Driving, 21 Suspicious Vehicle/Person, 21 Traffic Hazard, 17 – 911 Hang Up, 17 Welfare Check, 12 Fire Other, 11 Utilities, 10 Abandoned Vehicle/Parking Violation, 9 Fire Alarm, 9 Assist Other Agency, 9 Disturbance or Noise Complaint, 9 Theft, 9 Vandalism, 8 Radio Test, 6 – 911 or Phone Line Test, 6 DOR, 6 Fraud, 6 Siren Test, 5 Child Abuse/Child Removal, 5 Missing Person, 5 Suicidal, 5 Unit Maintenance, 4 Vehicle Fire, 4 Funeral Escort, 4 Probation, 4 Stolen Vehicle, 4 Training, 3 DUI, 3 Fight or Assault, 3 Mental Health, 3 Traffic Control, 3 Transport, 13 various other incidents. Total number of contacts to the Communications Center for the month of September was 2492.

Virginia gave a report that Dispatch went live with Justice Data Solutions and how well it was working for Dispatch. Also reported on the training that Baillie would be attending for Teletype and Donna was going with Alma to APCO/NENA in Lincoln next month. Alma was working with the State Patrol to set up a trial connection with MACH (Mobile Architecture for Communication handling) which would allow Dispatch to see the patrol vehicles on a map as well as local law enforcement that had the system in their vehicles.

**Director's Report:** Alma reported on the Greeley-Wheeler LEPC had been moved to tomorrow night and that she was going to ask to form a committee for the annual Region 26 Weather Symposium that she is planning to hold in Greeley this spring.

Alma reported that she would be attending the NIRMA conference in October.

The list of events happening in the EOC coming up. Region 26 is hosting a flu clinic for the public and employees on October 1<sup>st</sup>. The UNL Public Policy Center scheduled a meeting for schools and Emergency Managers to come together on planning on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

The state Wildland Fire Council will meet on the 24<sup>th</sup> and State Patrol Protection Order training for dispatch will be on the 29<sup>th</sup>. All of these events will be here in our EOC.

Alma reported that the Homeland Security 2016 grant is closing on September 30<sup>th</sup> and she will be finishing all the paperwork for that which includes the generator and Livestock trailer training that Region 26 hosted.

The Financial Auditors will be here next month to work on annual audit.

**Other Business:** None

Next regular meeting date will be Tuesday, October 29, 2019.

Chairman Meyer adjourned the meeting at 8:16 PM.

Alma Beland, Director/Coordinator

**Acronyms:**

APCO – Association of Public Communications Officials  
CAD – Computer Aided Dispatch  
CC – Communications Center  
CERT – Community Emergency Response Team  
C.R.I.M.E.S. – Calls & Records Information Management Software (part of Justice Data Solutions)  
DR – Disaster Recovery  
DOR – Department of Roads  
E911 – Enhanced 911  
ECW – Emergency Call Works (Mfg. of 911 Equipment at Region 26)  
EM – Emergency Manager  
EMD – Emergency Medical Dispatch  
EMPG – Emergency Management Performance Grant  
EMS – Emergency Medical Services  
EMT – Emergency Medical Technician  
EOC – Emergency Operations Center  
FEMA – Federal Emergency Management Agency  
FY – Fiscal Year  
GAN – Grant Adjustment Notice  
HSGP – Homeland Security Grant Program  
ICS – Incident Command System  
J.A.M.I.N. – Jail Administration Management Information Network (Part of Justice Data Solutions)  
JDS – Justice Data Solutions (Law Enforcement Records Management & CAD software system)  
LE – Law Enforcement  
LEPC – Local Emergency Planning Committee  
LEDRS – Livestock Emergency Disease Response System  
LEOP – Local Emergency Operations Plan  
NA911 – Nebraska Association of 911 Managers  
NACO – Nebraska Association of County Officials  
NEMA – Nebraska Emergency Management Agency  
NENA – National Emergency Number Association  
NESCA – Nebraska Emergency Services Communicators Association  
**\*NCR – North Central Region\***  
NCTC – Nebraska Central Telephone Company  
NIMS – National Incident Management System  
NIRMA – Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association  
NRIN – Nebraska Regional Interoperable Network  
NX-Gen – Next Generation 911  
PC – Police Chief  
PD – Police Department  
**\*PET – Planning Exercise Training\***  
PSAP – Public Safety Answering Point (911 Communications Center)  
PSC – Public Service Commission  
PVC – Platte Valley Communications  
SEAT – Single Engine Air Tanker  
SO – Sheriff's Office

SRS – State Radio System

TEPW – Training Exercise Planning Workshop

THIRA – Threat & Hazard Identification & Risk Assessment

\* **North Central PET Region Includes:** Keith, Arthur, Grant, Hooker, McPherson, Logan, Custer, Holt, Region 24 (Cherry, Keya Paha, Brown, Rock, Boyd) and Region 26 (Thomas, Blaine, Loup, Garfield, Wheeler, Greeley, Valley and Sherman)