

Thomas – Blaine – Loup – Garfield LEPC

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 20, 2020

2:00 PM

Present:

Glen Albers, Maverick Fertilizer and Burwell Volunteer Fire

Alma Beland, Region 26 Emergency Management

Marvin Hulinsky, Burwell Volunteer Fire & Rescue

Laura Kraus, Red Cross and Loup County Fire & Rescue

Catie Larsen, Loup Basin Public Health Department

Linda Lewis, Region 26 Emergency Management

Shelby Keith, Loup County Public School Safety Committee

Abigail Lewis, Loup County Public School Safety Committee

Weston Reineke, Loup County Public School Safety Committee

Raif Ruppert, Loup County Public School Safety Committee

1. The regular LEPC meeting for the Counties of Thomas, Blaine, Loup and Garfield was called to order by Chairman Glen Albers at 2:09PM. The Open Meeting Laws were brought to everyone's attention.
2. Laura Kraus moved, seconded by Marvin Hulinsky to approve the November 13, 2019 minutes. All Ayes
3. Old Business
 - a. PSA for Safety on Rivers – Discussed if there were any more ideas on creating a PSA or safety program for the schools to be presented before the summer break. Diana had produced information prior to the meeting to be shared to consider using KNLV to do a PSA that can be recorded and then played. KNLV has Party line part 2 segment where a person(s) can go to the radio station and talk on air about their subject.
 - b. STOP Sign Safety – The Loup County Public Schools Safety Committee (LCPSSC) gave us a report on what they have done as a group to make Loup County safer at the intersection of Hwy 183 and Hwy 91. They have not been successful in getting much response despite their attempts. Unfortunately, the weather last year in March caused a lot of problems across the state and things were put on the back burner. The LEPC is willing to help in anyway they can to help the LCPSSC to make our highways safer.
 - c. Loup Basin Public Health HUB Exercise – Catie Larsen presented a scenario about mass vaccination and asked us what our responsibilities would be in this type of situation. This is leading up to an actual exercise to test the Mass Dispensing procedure and plan for our counties.
 - d. Other Old Business – None
4. New Business
 - a. Presentation to Loup County Public School Safety Committee – Schools in the Thomas-Blaine-Loup-Garfield area were contacted to create a safety video to be posted on the

LEPC Facebook page. This was not a contest, but an opportunity for our youth to be a part of creating a video that would educate the public. The Loup County Public School Safety chose to take a common problem of deer crossing the road causing an accident and how to handle this situation. The Local Emergency Planning Committee Chairman, Glen Albers and Region 26 Director, Alma Beland, recognized their efforts by presenting them with a Certificate and safety vests to help them stay safe as they do their projects. There is no time limit on doing a video so if any school would like to participate, they can still submit their video to be put on Facebook to Region 26.

- b. 2020 Severe Weather Talks – Each county will host a Severe Weather Talk and all are encouraged to attend. Region 26 will also hold its Annual Weather Symposium to be held in Greeley County on March 20th.
 - c. Events for Weather Support in 2020 – If there is an event you would like to be submitted, let Region 26 know.
 - d. Training – (Loup Basin Public Health Scenario)
 - e. Other New Business – None
5. Election of Officers – Laura Kraus moved, seconded by Marvin Hulinsky to keep officer the same for the year 2020. All voted aye.
6. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 3:52pm. Next meeting will be Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 2:00pm.

Submitted by Thomas-Blaine-Loup-Garfield Secretary-Treasurer
Linda Lewis