

Thomas – Blaine – Loup – Garfield LEPC

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 13, 2019

2:00 PM

Present:

Glen Albers, Maverick Fertilizer and Burwell Volunteer Fire

Alma Beland, Region 26 Emergency Management

Elizabeth (Libby) Burk, Blaine County Rescue

Marvin Hulinsky, Burwell Volunteer Fire & Rescue

Diana Hurlburt, Garfield County Commissioner

Laura Kraus, Red Cross and Loup County Fire & Rescue

Catie Larsen, Loup Basin Public Health Department

Linda Lewis, Region 26 Emergency Management

Cody Samuelson, Two Rivers Public Health Department

Janet Sanders, Loup Basin RC&D

1. The regular LEPC meeting for the Counties of Thomas, Blaine, Loup and Garfield was called to order by Chairman Glen Albers at 2:00PM. The Open Meeting Laws were brought to everyone's attention.
2. Diana Hurlburt moved, seconded by Elizabeth Burk to approve the August 14, 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. Some ideas were to create a slide show of the dangers related to river and dam safety. The Bureau of Reclamation may have information or search dam safety on YouTube.
 - b. Other Old Business – None
4. New Business
 - a. Cody Samuelson with TRIMRS shared how they can assist our area in time of disaster. They cover 23 counties, 21 hospitals, 20 emergency managers and 4 public health departments. They offer resources for mass casualty, exercise and training plus other services they offer to members. One example of how they were able to help our area was during and after the flooding using the Regional 3 Behavioral Health for those dealing with depression after major losses. Cody encouraged us to contact them if they have questions and if he doesn't know the answer he will find out. We can contact them through our local public health department. Catie added that there will be a real-world HUB exercise where the Loup Basin Public Health will be testing for mass vaccinations and getting the vaccine to the proper places.

b. Stop Sign Safety Measures – There are several areas in our counties that have dangerous intersections due to lack of signage or trees blocking the signage. One suggestion was the flashing lights on STOP signs that use solar panels for the source of power. No action was decided at this time.

c. Other New Business – None

5. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 3:18pm. Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 2:00pm.

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

Linda Lewis