

Sherman-Valley LEPC  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 10, 2017

Present:

Alec Baillie, Mayor – Loup City  
Alma Beland, Region 26 Emergency Management  
Larry Copp, Ord Fire Department  
Doug Everett, American Red Cross  
Cherish Gregory, Green Plains, Ord Fire & Rescue  
Ashley Jeffres, Loup Basin Public Health  
Daryl Jorgensen, North Loup Fire  
Craig Kamler, Ashton Fire Department, Village of Ashton  
Linda Lewis, Region 26 Emergency Management  
Scott Philbrick, Valley County Emergency Management  
Larry Proskocil, Valley County Health Systems  
Brian Stevens, American Red Cross  
James Rashilla, Nebraska Emergency Management Agency  
Steven Roy, Valley View Senior Village  
Lisa Woitalewicz – Valley View Senior Village

- 1) Chairman Alec Baillie called the meeting to order at 7:08pm.
- 2) Alma Beland moved, seconded by Larry Proskocil to approve the July 11, 2017 minutes. All voted aye, motion passed.
- 3) Old Business –
  - a) CERT Teams: Grant funds are available however training needs to get started before grant time runs out and funds are no longer available.
  - b) Siren Protocol: The purpose for this information is to educate the public as to why and when the siren may be activated by creating a letter or informative literature for distribution. Ashton's siren goes off for a brief time at 8am, noon & 6pm and they have a tornado siren (solid tone). North Loup's siren goes off at noon & 6pm and they have a tornado (solid tone) they also activate the siren for Fires (waving tones). Ord's siren is activated on every fire and automobile accident with injuries. Siren is activated from sun up to sun down only for all other rescue calls (waving wail). The tornado siren is a solid tone. Once all information is compiled, the goal is to create a letter or informative literature about siren protocols for each area and then distributed to the public.
  - c) Other Old Business – No other Old Business
- 4) New Business
  - a) Facility Tour of the Valley View Senior Village was given by Steven Roy and Lisa Woitalewicz. Steven shared that there is a large amount of preparedness planning to be accomplished and gave us an idea of where shelters will be and what his vision is for changes that need to be completed to meet regulations.
  - b) CodeRED – Discussion was held regarding issues that another County had with their alerting system. Alma stated that CodeRED is a solid company that has been around for several years with a good working reputation.

- c) LEDRS – (Livestock Emergency Disease Response System) Alma reported on a conference she had attended where veterinarians gather and discuss Incident Command and discuss situations that may happen in the agriculture industry. There is a training that they are working on to bring out to Nebraska and other states reference accidents involving hauling livestock and how to treat the scene and if there are trapped animals how they may be able to get them out safely. The trainers would like to come out to the Region 26 area since it's inundated with livestock.
  - d) Red Cross – Representatives Brian Stevens and Doug Everett talked to the group about Shelter Agreements. It is their goal to have two Shelter Agreements per county and then expand from there. Red Cross representatives will work with emergency managers and the building officials to create an agreement. They need three representatives for each building to be on the agreement; the primary contact, one to open the facility and an alternate. If a building does not meet the requirements for a shelter it may be used for other purposes such as; warming or cooling stations, distribution of supplies, off-loading supplies, parking lots, etc. Agreements are stored on the computer and can be accessed with the information that is needed in an emergency situation. Emergency managers are the point of contact to start the sheltering in an incident. In the agreement it needs to be specified that there is no charge for the facility.
  - e) Other New Business
    - i) Larry Proskocil announced that the Valley County Health Systems will be conducting a Full scale exercise which will include the community and other agencies. This exercise will involve a tornado and the complications that can come from being hit directly or indirectly. The date is November 16, 2017 in the evening.
    - ii) Alec Baillie advised that Loup City is having a "Day of Awareness" on Tuesday, October 17. Some of the highlights will be the Simulator Truck that travels around conducting training, the newly remodeled City Chamber and the plans for a new fire hall. There will be tours by firemen and refreshments will be served.
    - iii) James Rashilla informed us of grant money available for Hazmat training, ICS, firefighting training, training equipment and decontamination training. If interested contact James.
- 5) Meeting dates 2018 (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month)
- January 9, 2018 – Sherman Host
  - April 10, 2018 – Valley Host
  - July 10, 2018 – Sherman Host
  - October 9, 2018 – Valley Host

6) Adjournment: 8:38pm

Submitted by Region 26 Emergency Management/Secretary  
Linda Lewis