

Sherman-Valley LEPC
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 11, 2017

Present:

Alec Baillie, Mayor – Loup City
Marvin Beck, Litchfield Volunteer
Alma Beland, Region 26 Emergency Management
Michael F. Janulewicz, Sherman County Sheriff's Office
Ashley Jeffres, Loup Basin Public Health
Daryl Jorgensen, North Loup Fire
Linda Lewis, Region 26 Emergency Management
Scott Philbrick, Valley County Emergency Management
James Rashilla, Nebraska Emergency Management Agency
Steven Roy, Valley View Senior Village
Ryan Simpson, Valley County Emergency Management
Jack Van Slyke, Valley County Supervisor/Region 26 Board
Lisa Woitalewicz – Valley View Senior Village
Tylr Naprstek – Lower Loup Natural Resources District

- 1) Chairman Alec Baillie called the meeting to order at 7:38pm. The Open Meetings Law was brought to our attention and participation from the attendees was encouraged and welcomed.
- 2) Mike Janulewicz moved, seconded by Daryl Jorgensen to approve the April 11, 2017 minutes. All voted aye, motion passed.
- 3) Old Business –
 - a) CERT Teams: There was an informational CERT meeting on May 23rd in Loup City where Hall County emergency manager Jon Rosenlund shared with the group his experience in starting and maintaining a CERT Team. We as an LEPC will continue to work on scheduling training. Chairman Baillie commented that CERT is a great way to pull out of the community those that have a heart for volunteer work. Alma commented that grant funds are available and Marvin Beck said there is a lot of interest in Litchfield.
 - b) Siren Protocol – Sherman County Emergency Manager is working on contacting each town in Sherman to establish a protocol of siren usage to put in an informational document to be shared with the public in key places so when the siren goes off they have a reference as to why the siren has been activated. Valley County will also work on getting the protocols from each town.
 - c) Event Planning – Weather Service – Alma explained what Region 26 is doing with the weather service and gave a report on the events that had already taken place in Sherman County and the contacts she had made during their event. She also reported that there had been a meeting with the Valley County Fair Board to set up a contact system for their County Fair. There was also discussion if a storm is headed in the direction of an event but then either dissipates before getting there or takes a turn that the organizers should be notified that there is no longer a threat.
 - d) Other Old Business – Chairman Baillie noted that there had been a Memorandum of Understanding developed between the County and the School in June and has received an Understanding of Agreement with the Red Cross. He will have an attorney look at the Understandings to make sure there are no conflicts and then bring back to adopt and will share with the LEPC and update the LEOP's to include these documents.

- 4) New Business
 - a) Facility Tour of the Lower Loup Natural Resources District was conducted by Tylr Naprstek – This tour was very informative of what the LLNRD does and how people can utilize their services. Tylr informed us that the Davis Creek Recreation Area has new campsites that can be reserved at reserveamerica.com. Severe weather awareness was discussed and discussion was held on having signage for CodeRED for the mobile app which will follow the person's location. The camp host can also sign up for CodeRED during their stay. James mentioned to apply through mitigation funding for a siren.
 - b) Valley View Senior Village Representatives – Lisa Woitalewicz and Steven Roy shared with us the new regulations for their facility and are actively working on plans. They would like to be a part of the LEPC and share plans with local responders so they can be better prepared to respond to the facility. Alma commented that for the exercises they will be conducting to include the agencies represented at the LEPC.
 - c) CodeRED – Alma brought up a concern that after one of the storms it was put on social media that CodeRED did not work. Region 26 can review who was called and the area that was in the warning. After further review CodeRED did work and those that weren't called were either not signed up for CodeRED or were not in the poly-gon and therefore would not receive a call. She urged people if there was a problem to contact Region 26 directly instead of social media.
 - d) Other New Business – Red Cross would like for us to identify shelters with contact names and numbers and they will make contact for further arrangements.
- 5) Meeting dates: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 will be the next meeting date and will be located at the Valley View Senior Village where we will have a tour and meeting.
- 6) Adjournment: 8:32pm

Submitted by Region 26 Emergency Management/Secretary
Linda Lewis