SWEET GRASS COUNTY

Local Emergency Planning Committee (L.E.P.C.)

All Hazards and Emergency 9-1-1

Minutes

Date of Meeting:

August 27, 2020 11:30 AM

Location:

Ambulance Hall, Meeting Room; 220 W 1ST AVE; Big Timber MT

Attendees:

Alan Ronneberg, Sheriff Rob Farnum, Ambulance Manager Jennifer Chappell, Public Health Dan Tronrud, Community Health

Cory Conner, SG Public Works Cliff Brophy, DES / 9-1-1 Coordinator Brian Becker, SGC Health Bob Fry, MT DES

The meeting was called to order by Clifford Brophy DES / E9-1-1 Coordinator at 11:30 AM The pledge of allegiance to the US Flag was recited

Minutes for the Meeting on June 25, 2020 were approved as submitted. Minutes documenting that the July 23, 2020 meeting was canceled where approved.

Welcome and self-introductions:

Local Emergency Planning Committee (L.E.P.C.) Topics:

Cliff Brophy reported that we are still working on the update of the EOP. There were some minor changes that still need to be made. Those will be worked on.

Disaster and Emergency Services (D.E.S.) Topics:

Cliff Brophy reported that the 2019-2020 EMPG project was finalized and the close out letter was sent in to the State.

The state sent out the paper work for the PDM Grant Project. We are part of a consortium with neighboring counties that are working on that project. The COVID pandemic had delayed that project from getting started.

Bob Fry reported that the MT DES will be taking over the PPE storage issues at the State level.

Rob Farnum stated the he volunteered to store some of the State's PPE as part of a strategic placement of PPE supplies around the State.

Emergency 9-1-1 Topics:

Cliff Brophy reported that we have used the Emergency Notification System (ENS) also known as "reverse 9-1-1, several times. It appeared to work ok. We have had problems with it in the past. We received several requests from folks to allow mobile phone numbers to be entered. Cliff was told by the company that one cannot enter mobile phones in this system. Cliff indicated to the LEPC that we may want to study this service and contemplate upgrading to a modern version of an emergency notification system.

Public Health Topics:

Jenn Chappell spoke briefly about the current situation in Sweet Grass Co. We have multiple active cases. The Unified Command Group will be meeting again and will address those pertinent issues.

Fire Topics:

No fire restrictions at this time. We had two fires but they were in forest service.

Weather Updates: None

Public Utilities Topics:

Cory Conner reported that the Old Boulder Bridge project going as expected. Detour route is in place. They have been working on that.

Cory reported that a private contractor drove a cat over the West Bridger Creek Bridge and broke that. The county is putting a temporary crossing in place for now.

Comments from Members: None

Select Next Meeting Date: September 24, 2020 at 11:30 hrs.

Public Comments: None given

Adjourn: 1200 PM

Submitted by

Clifford Brophy

DES/911 Coordinator

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