SWEET GRASS COUNTY

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

All Hazards and Emergency 9-1-1

Minutes

Date of Meeting:

March 8, 2023 11:30 AM

Location:

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

Attendees:

J.V. Moody, SG Commissioner Greg DeBoer, City Mayor Alan Ronneberg, Sheriff Andrew Bullock, EMS Manager Jennifer Chappell, Public Health Cory Conner, SG Public Works Kris Novotny. City Fire Chief Cliff Brophy, DES / 9-1-1 Coordinator Kevin Langhus, SG Roads/SAR

A special meeting was called to order by Cliff Brophy, Chair at 11:30 AM

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

Cliff updated the members present that we are at the point that the radio consoles in dispatch will need to be replaced soon. The plan was to use extra parts to keep the existing MCC5500 Motorola consoles in use for another year. They are currently 3-4 years past service life. However, during the computer upgrades, we discovered that the old consoles and the new Windows OS are incompatible. This has forced us into a system wide upgrade of the consoles sooner than planned. The cost of a new system went from an anticipated \$300K to over \$700K if we integrate with the State trunking system. There are not enough funds in the 9-1-1 capital fund line to come close to that amount.

Sheriff Ronneberg made the motion to apply to the State Homeland security grant program with support of the LEPC. In consideration of the other application, we would rank the Radio Console project as 1st priority and the Grey Cliff Repeater Replacements as 2nd priority. Fire Chief Kris Novotny seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Comments from Members: None Public Comments: None given

Adjourn: 11:50 AM

Submitted by

Clifford Brophy DES/911 Coordinator