

# SWEET GRASS COUNTY

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

### All Hazards and Emergency 9-1-1

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#### Minutes

Date of Meeting: **October 19, 2023 11:30 AM**

Location: **Ambulance Hall, Meeting Room; 220 W 1<sup>ST</sup> AVE; Big Timber MT**

#### Attendees:

Bill Wallace, SG Commissioner  
J.V. Moody, SG Commissioner  
Melanie Roe, SG Commissioner  
Greg DeBoer, City Mayor  
Alan Ronneberg, Sheriff  
Andrew Bullock, EMS Manager  
Cory Conner, SG Public Works

Kevin Langhus, SG Public Works/SAR  
Kris Novotny, City Fire Chief  
Angie Matos, USFS  
Zane Leonard, East Boulder (virtual)  
Cliff Brophy, DES / 9-1-1 Coordinator  
John Wetenkamp, NWS (virtual)  
GUESTS:  
Hope Mosness, City Clerk

**The meeting was called to order by Clifford Brophy, Chair at 11:30 AM**

**The pledge of allegiance to the US Flag was recited**

**Welcome and self-introductions: Completed**

**Minutes for the Meeting on September 28, 2023 were approved as submitted.**

#### **National Weather Service:**

Recent events gave us ½" to 4" of above normal precipitation this past month. This period of the month should see above normal moisture and below normal temps. The NWS service has added new web pages. This provides a site dedicated to winter conditions.

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

Cliff reported that the annual LEPC report was submitted to the State SERC.

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

Cliff reported that the NIMS and THIRA assessments have been submitted also.

Cliff reported that the annual Cybersecurity self-assessment has been completed. If anyone needs a copy of that for reporting requirements, please see Cliff.

Zane announced that he will be having a TTX exercise at the November LEPC meeting. This will deal with the East Fork Tailings Complex. More information to follow.

#### **Emergency 9-1-1 Topics:**

The request for proposals for the radio console replacement ends tomorrow.

The Sheriff spoke about his new dispatcher graduating Basic Dispatch Academy tomorrow. There are no new dispatchers applying.

He does have two High School students working as dispatchers under the school to work program. They are working out well.

**Public Health Topics:**

None

**Fire Topics:**

Angie reported that the FS had two burns around the Derby Mountain area. With the snow moving in, they will be working on "pile burning".

**Public Works:**

Kris reported that we are still in "Boil Water Advisory" for the City of Big Timber due to the water main line getting struck by a contractor. The City will be sending water samples in for testing. They hope that they will be able to lift the advisory soon.

Kris reported that Bramble Street may be closed down next week for construction.

JV announced that the crews will start working on the Voges Bridge next week if all goes well. These repairs will fix the damage from last years flood event in June. The Bridge shouldn't be closed for long durations. If they do stop traffic, it would be just brief periods of time. The construction crew will be dropping equipment off for the next few weeks.

**Mitigation Progress:** No new updates

**Comments from Members:**

The Mayor thanked everyone involved for the work put in to fixing the Water situation the other day.

**Select Next Meeting Date: Thursday, November 16, 2023 11:30 AM**

Because the next meeting would fall on Thanksgiving Day, the members decided to have the meeting early. Kris moved to have the next LEPC meeting on November 16<sup>th</sup>. Alan seconded. Motion passed.

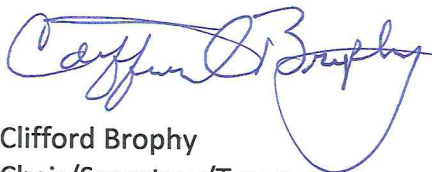
**Public Comments:** None given

**Break:**

**After Action Review:** Those involved with the water main damage response, stayed to conduct an AAR on the response that day. Notes were recorded by each individual as needed.

**Adjourn:** 1:00 PM

Submitted by



Clifford Brophy  
Chair/Secretary/Treasurer