



The Cass County EMAC met at 7pm, at the offices of the Cass County Emergency Management Agency, 1227 N SR 17, Logansport, Indiana.

The meeting was called to order by Sherriff Schroder.

Board Members Present: Mike Deitrich, Jeff Smith, Dan McDonald, Tracy Williamson, Gary Chambers, Tim Minnick, Ed Schroder, and Terry Dixon.

EMA Personnel Present: Rocky Buffum, Felicity Perez-Nuscis

Guest: Rachel Green INDOT

i. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES-**

The Minutes of the January 2023 meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by M. Deitrich, and seconded by T. Minnick. Motion carries with all in favor, and none opposed.

ii. **DIRECTORS REPORTS-**

A. Indiana Department of Homeland Security/District Four Updates

New IDHS district liaison Amy Bloom has decided to resume out district EM meetings. Quarterly opposite District 4 meetings. The plan is to resume these meetings beginning later this month.

B. Grants & Billing

We were award the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grant through IDHS of \$20,000. Both County Council and County Commissioners have approved acceptance. We are awaiting final grant paperwork to be issued before putting out an RFP for the hazard mitigation plan. We are still waiting (8/2/2022) on the Federal Emergency Management Agency Covid PA grant of \$5,620.00. IDHS has received the money but has not issued the check yet.



C. Training & Exercise Activity

Hazmat Technician class began January 23rd 2023

Pipeline class is being held March 11th 2023.

800 radio classes have been scheduled through IPSC for Tuesday February 7th 2023 at the Logansport Central Fire Station. The first class will be at 2pm and then repeated again at 5pm. The LEPC annual exercise process has begun. Planning meeting will be held February 10th and 17th 10am at the EMA office. The tabletop exercise will be held February 24th 2023 at the Salvation Army Building for community partners. The full-scale hands-on exercise will be held on February 28th 2023. We are looking into purchasing a propane flaring kit. The LEPC has approved to purchase the kit itself at \$1794.00. We are asking approval to spend Non-Reverting funds to cover the \$3500.00 expense of training county responders on the new equipment. A motion to approve covering the cost of class was made by T.Williamson and seconded by D.McDonald. Motion carries with all in favor, and none opposed.

iii. **OLD BUSINESS-**

A. Backup 911 Communications Center Project

No work is currently being done as the county prepares to move from the VHF system to the statewide 800 system.

B. County Fire Radio Project

ERS has possession of all the 800-radio equipment for the county. We are waiting on IPSC to assign channels and radio IDs. We provided the radio alias for entire county this week to ERS. We have a meeting with IPSC and ERS tomorrow to hopefully discuss radio talk groups and finalization.

C. Any Other Old Business to Discuss

No further old business was brought fourth

iv. **NEW BUSINESS-**

A. Any Other New Business

No new business was brought fourth

v. **CLAIMS REVIEW-**

Claims approved on motion made by G. Chambers and seconded by M. Deitrich Motion carries with all in favor, and none opposed.



- vi. **BOARD QUESTIONS/COMMENTS-** none
- vii. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS-** Rachel green expressed how she was impressed with the turn out of both the LEPC and EMAC boards here in Cass county. She complimented us on our how diverse our boards were with the numerous organizations represented and department heads present.
- viii. **NEXT MEETING-** March 1st 2023, 7pm
- ix. **Adjournment-**
Motion by J. Smith and seconded by G. Chambers meeting adjourned 7:24pm

Respectfully Submitted

Felicity Perez-Nuscis