

Cass County EMA Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
October 3, 2012 7PM

PRESENT: Alvin Beckman, Herb Detrick, Rocky Buffum, Mike Clark (Galveston), Wally Bennett, Randy Pryor, Phil Rains, Ed Schroder, Herb Bowman, Mike Clark (Logansport), Mark Strong

Meeting called to order at 702PM by Herb Bowman.

A motion was made to approve minutes of the previous meetings by Herb Detrick with a second by Phil. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

GRANTS

- Equipment is arriving for the EOC grant. Installation will be delayed due to the IT department being bogged down with election work.
- Dan McDonald from dispatch has been working on the Mass notification system for the BZPP grant. Tough books have been received. Alvin is seeking a grant adjustment to purchase additional tough books in place of some of the traffic control and other equipment originally in the grant.
- Checks from the state have begun to arrive to cover the cost of purchases

DISTRICT 4

- Alvin has been unable to attend the last two meetings due to health issues
- Mention was made many county departments have not signed the mutual aid agreement and therefore would be unable to utilize district and state resources in a disaster

NIMS: NIMSCAST is done

BUDGET

- The budget was approved as presented
- The new vehicle requested is on a list of items that can be cut if the state mandates a reduction in spending

DISTRICT 4 TASK FORCE VISIT

- On Wednesday, October 10, 2012 at 930AM Task Force leaders and participants will be at Cass County EMA to discuss opportunities for involvement from Cass County. Fire, police and other agencies are invited to attend. Lunch will be provided.

ALVIN'S HEALTH STATUS

- Alvin reported he is on chemotherapy and more tests are pending. If ineffective radiation therapy will be used. They are trying to avoid surgery at this time. Alvin is avoiding using sick days in case he needs time off later due to treatment. He missed work last week due to the illness of his mother.

NEW BUSINESS

EVERBRIDGE ENS

- Dan McDonald has been covering meetings. Training will be offered in the near future

WARNING SIRENS

- The siren in Onward is still not up. The siren at 500 South needs rewired and there are issues with the radio for the siren on Clymers. Alvin indicated if the current vendor is unable to show progress soon they may be replaced.

CLAIMS

- Claims were submitted in the amount of \$2,315.76. A motion to approve was made by Mark Strong with a second by Rocky Buffum. Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Alvin indicated someone came to teach a class at EMA Monday and the building was unlocked. This has been a recurring issue. He may need to change the door combination and reduce the number of people with access to the facility
- Sheriff Pryor invited Alvin to come to the sheriff's office on October 18 before 2pm to get an air card for his EMA computer
- Alvin has funds available for AVL's if departments are in need

Motion to adjourn at 736PM by Herb Detrick, second by Wally. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING: November 7, 2012 at 7PM

Respectfully submitted,

Rocky Buffum
EMAC Secretary