

Cass County EMA Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Herb Detrick.

PRESENT: Ed Schroder, Tom Heflin, Phil Rains, Rocky Buffum, Alvin Beckman, Herb Detrick, Wally Bennett, Randy Pryor

Approval of minutes was tabled due to lack of a quorum

OLD BUSINESS

GRANTS: Purchasing is in progress for the RACES and EOC grants. Approval has been received to begin making purchases for the BZPP grant. At this time the plan is to purchase laptops and air cards instead of iPads. Alvin reported five vendors are being evaluated for purchase of a mass notification system. Proposals from Code Red and EverBridge were discussed in detail.

DISTRICT 4: April 23-26 will be the district deployment to Muscatatuck Urban Training Center and Alvin is expected to attend. Alvin and the other members of the executive committee are still interested in building involvement from Cass County as well as other district counties outside Tippecanoe.

NIMS: An ICS300 course is in progress at the Cass County Sheriff's Department. Approximately 18 or 19 are in attendance. An ICS400 course will be scheduled upon its conclusion. Alvin has started to visit fire departments to begin completing NIMS resource inventories. Alvin reported changes will be coming to NIMSCAST this year.

OTHER: Herb Detrick asked if Alvin had followed up on the cell phone issue discussed at the previous meeting. Alvin indicated no. Alvin indicated the computers had been fixed and Vicky's pay had been addressed for the time being.

NEW BUSINESS

MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEM: Discussed under old business

EOC PLANS: Discussed under old business

SEVERE WEATHER WEEK/TONRADO SIRENS: Severe weather awareness week was this month. Alvin reported some sirens have been repaired and others are still in queue to be repaired. Work continues.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Alvin discussed the budget for next year. He is going to request a new vehicle that is six years old for which repairs are becoming costly. Claims were submitted in the amount of \$958.52. A motion to approve was made by Wally Bennett with a second by Phil Rains. Motion carried

OTHER: Alvin discussed restarting the executive meetings with various agency heads. He reports these were discontinued a few years ago but were beneficial.

ADJOURNMENT: Having no other business or public comments a motion was made to adjourn by Ed Schroder with a second by Rocky Buffum. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING: May 2, 2012 at 7pm

Respectfully submitted,

Rocky Buffum
EMAC Secretary