

Cass County EMA Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
January 4, 2012

PRESENT: Herb Detrick, Herb Bowman, Rocky Buffum, Alvin Beckman, Mike Clark, Randy Pryor, Phil Rains

ABSENT: Ted Franklin, Jim Musselman, Alan Liming, Chad Dixson, Ed Schroder, Tim Grandstaff, Tom Heflin, Wally Bennett

Call to order at 703PM by Herb Bowman

Approval of minutes was tabled due to lack of quorum

OLD BUSINESS

GRANTS: Alvin is waiting for approval to begin spending on the EOC Grant and BZPP Grant. The ADA Compliance Grant Alvin promised to research at the last meeting is for training only. Work on the restroom door will be carried out anyway as the agency is not currently compliant and could face liability issues.

DISTRICT 4: Alvin is now the second chair for the district. He is hoping for more Cass County involvement in the district initiatives. The next district meeting is on January 19th and will likely spend time discussing the upcoming deployment of the district task force and other resources on April 23-27 to Southern Indiana.

NIMS: Alvin will be visiting each agency in the county address areas of non-compliance. If not NIMS compliant agencies are not eligible for DHS grants. Alvin continues work on the NIMS inventory.

There are 17 appointments to the EMA Advisory Council. New members for this year include Mike Clark for the Town of Galveston, Ed Schroder for the Town of Royal Center, Ted Grandstaff with the ambulance service and Tom Heflin for the Town of Walton. No word has yet been received on appointments to represent county and city government.

NEW BUSINESS

At the last meeting the July meeting was discussed. If we follow the pattern this meeting would fall on July 4th which conflicts with a holiday and the county fair. A motion was made by Herb Detrick to not meet in July. Second by Mike Clark. Motion carried.

Alvin reported a number of initiatives attempting to address the issue with warning sirens. Some are 40 years old and many are in need of repair. There are no city or county funds available to fully complete the needed maintenance and upgrades. Alvin and Amy Beechy are researching grant possibilities. The

person who has historically serviced Cass County sirens has been out on medical leave. If he is unable to come back to work Alvin will contact ERS about addressing critical issues.

Claims were submitted in the amount of \$959.96. Motion to approve by Herb Detrick. Second by Phil Rains. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be on February 1, 2012 at 7PM.

Having no public questions or comments a motion was made to adjourn by Herb Detrick with a second by Phil Rains. Motion carried at 7:27PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rocky Buffum
EMAC Secretary