

Cass County EMAC
Meeting Minutes
September 4, 2013

Meeting called to order by Herb Bowman.

PRESENT: Rocky Buffum, Alvin Beckman, Stacey Donato, Herb Detrick, Herb Bowman, Phil Rains, Randy Pryor

Approval of minutes was tabled due to lack of a quorum.

OLD BUSINESS

GRANTS: Alvin attended a presentation on school safety grants on August 26 at Harrison High School. Schools apply directly and do not go through EMA. Alvin reported Logansport Community Schools were in attendance and expressed interest in applying.

DISTRICT 4: IDHS was evaluated by Witt O'Brian & Associates on effectiveness, organization and other areas. At this time it appears the state will keep 10 homeland security districts but scale back to 4 or 5 task forces. Staff at IDHS Headquarters are being reorganized and in some cases merged. District 4 will probably keep their task force with another task force rolled into it. The district still needs more involvement from Cass County. The next meeting will be September 19. Alvin will not be there as his daughter is getting married in California.

NIMS: NIMSCAST is on hold until NIMS updates are finalized.

WARNING SIRENS: Federal Field Services is currently working to service 189 sirens in Indianapolis. Once this project is complete they will work to correct issues in Cass County.

NEW BUSINESS

BUDGET: The budget was approved for next year although it is not to the final reading. The new vehicle request was cut for next year and funding is being provided this year. Alvin is assembling quotes.

RECENT EVENTS: Herb and Alvin attended a nuclear rail incident training conducted by the U.S. Navy in Fort Wayne. Spent fuel rod shipments will be shipped through Cass County. Rocky completed COOP Planner Train-the-Trainer training in Indianapolis. A continuity plan is a requirement for the 2013-2014 EMPG assessment.

UPCOMING EVENTS: The Two Rivers on Two Wheels Bike Ride is September 14. EMA will be providing SAG vehicles. The Home Depot Safety festival is October 5.

CLAIMS: Claims were submitted in the amount of \$746.81. Claims were approved on a motion duly made and seconded. Rocky Buffum abstained from the vote.

OTHER NEW BUSINEES: The secretary position has not been filled. Ryan Mix is unable to attend meetings due to coursework at IUK. The Galveston Town Marshall will take his place on the committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 2, 2013.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion duly made and seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Rocky Buffum
EMAC Secretary