

Cass County  
Emergency Management Advisory Council (EMAC)  
Meeting Minutes  
August 5, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Herb Bowman.

PRESENT: Randy Pryor, Herb Detrick, Herb Bowman, Liz Troxell, Ed Schroder, Rocky Buffum, Mark Strong, Sharon Gerlach (IDHS), Phil Rains, Stacy Donato

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion duly made and seconded.

**OLD BUSINESS**

GRANTS

Liz Troxell reports Alvin Beckman has applied for two competitive grants.

DISTRICT 4

Sharon Gerlach, Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) Field Coordinator reported a lot is changing within IDHS. Some of these changes are designed to expedite the grant process.

Sharon Gerlach reports she attended a meeting in District 2 considering a Bakken Oil Exercise for 2017. The northern districts have greater travel time to Muscatatuck which discourages exercise participation for many of their agencies.

2016 BUDGET

August 13<sup>th</sup> will be the County Council Budget Discussion. All members of the public and/or Advisory Board are welcome to attend and offer comments.

RTIPP & TEPW

September 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> will be the Readiness: Training Identification & Preparedness Planning and the Training Exercise Planning Workshop in Lafayette. Sharon Gerlach states we need 40 people from District 4 to attend and to have representation from agencies in each county within the district. IDHS wants to have county level teams identifying capacities and shortfalls and building training programs around those capacities and shortfalls. Sharon Gerlach reports this process will have a strong impact on how future grant funding is awarded.

ANY OTHER OLD BUSINESS

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### VEHICLE PROPOSAL

Liz Troxell reports Alvin Beckman will be securing a quote from Eby Trailer to remove the truck bed from the blue Ford truck and replace it with a flat bed. Liz reports when moving sandbags and other large loads it is difficult to do with the topper and truck bed. It is reported the truck bed is also starting to rust.

### 4-H FAIR

Cass County Emergency Management had a booth and it was manned every night.

### CLAIMS

Claims were submitted in the amount of \$1,297.45. Claims were approved on a motion duly made and seconded.

### QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

None

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

### ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Cass County EMAC is scheduled for September 2, 2015 at 7PM.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Rocky Buffum  
EMAC Secretary