



Davison County Emergency Management
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LEPC Minutes
November 13, 2024 @ 10:30 A.M.

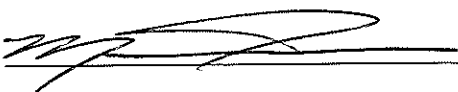
Chairperson: Marius Laursen Vice Chairperson: Steve Harr Secretary: Jeff Bathke

Call in Number is 1-866-990-6338. The Conference ID is 18809.

1. Welcome-Sign In.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
 - a. Motion by Steve, 2nd by Michelle to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Approval of the previous minutes.
 - a. Motion by Marius, 2nd by Steve to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
4. Status:
 - a. The Davison County LEPC receives grant funds from the state, which are used to pay for air cards in the EM and Search and Rescue vehicles.
 - i. Amount of 2024 grant: \$1,202.65 (\$800 less than last year)
 - ii. 2023 carry over: \$290.76
 - iii. Expended: \$1,544.94
 - iv. Remaining: \$0 (remainder of the year will be paid by EM)
 - v. Motion by Michelle, 2nd by Steve to approve the financial status. Motion carried.
5. Public Input-None
6. Remediation/HAZMAT Issues
 - a. 2024.123-POET Cooling Water Release-Contained in the pond.
 - b. 2024.141-Steve's Welding Accident. Semi rollover, fuel spill, contaminated soil disposed of and road re-graveled.
7. Administrative and SLA Requirement
 - a. Yearly:
 - i. 4th Quarter Report to be submitted October 30, 2024.
 - ii. New Fiscal Year, many new requirements will be completed in the next few months.
8. Current Road Closures
 - a. HW 37 from Bypass/Main Street to airport road reconstruction-Traffic will be maintained to allow both directions. The work will take two years and be completed in sections.
 - b. 255th St. between 411th Ave. and Bartscher Road is currently under repair.
9. Upcoming Road Closures:
 - a. The HWY 37 bypass shared use path and lighting project is in progress.
 - b. HWY 42-Resurfacing from Ethan to the East for 24 miles.
 - c. The James River bridge on HWY 38 will be closed for three months over the summer of 2025.
 - d. I-90 from Betts Road to Mt. Vernon will receive drainage repair work in 2026.
 - e. HWY 38 from Foster to Riverside in 2027. The road will remain open.
 - f. HWY 38 from Riverside Road to Spencer will be graded in 2027 and resurfaced in 2028.
10. Jeff Bathke-P&Z/Drainage/EM Director
 - a. LEPC Grant will be completed and submitted by November 30, 2024.
 - b. Yearly exercise was held in conjunction with Avera on November 7, 2024.
 - c. Jeff will be out of the office January 14th-March 13th for the Legislative Session.
 - d. The SD511 system is up and running. In the event of road closures, Emergency Management and the Sheriff's Office have the ability to post road closures and no travel advisories on the SD511 Traveler Information System. Web based mapping systems draw their information from this

- system, which should reduce traffic diverting to secondary roads, causing additional people to be stranded and needing rescued.
- e. The SD DOT will be hosting a HWY 37 Traffic Study Meeting at the Davison County Fairgrounds on December 5, 2024, where citizens can voice their concerns and see several options for improvement on the HWY.
 - f. The SD DOT will be hosting a Winter Weather Meeting, with the date TBD.
11. Karen Wegleitner-P&Z/Drainage/EM Deputy
 - a. EM and the Department of Health held the POD on October 15, 2024, with the following vaccinations:
 - i. 374 the day of the POD.
 - ii. 93 at MTC.
 - iii. 97 at DWU.
 - iv. 564 total, which continues to be lowered each year.
 12. Kelly Kjelden/Matthew Burk-POET-Absent
 13. Pat Gathman/Bob Way-High Plains Processing-Absent
 14. Dan Pollreis/Shannon Sandoval-MFD-Absent
 15. Dean Knippling/Casey Tegethoff-MPD-Absent
 16. Marius Laursen-Avera
 - a. Avera employees continue to receive influenza vaccinations.
 - b. Avera hosted a functional exercise on November 7, 2024, with a contagious person (Ebola) entering a long-term care facility, then being transported via ambulance to the hospital emergency department. All policies were reviewed during the exercise, which went very well.
 17. Michelle Carpenter/Roswitha Konz-Health
 - a. The crisis bed center remodel is getting close to completion. Medical/Nursing will move to the new location. Licensing is completed. Beds will open in January.
 18. Steve Harr-Sheriff/Tim Reitzel-Chief Deputy
 - a. Sheriff Harr reported the department completed three days of Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) training with the Police and Fire Departments.
 19. Blake Richters-Highway Patrol-Absent
 20. Joe Schroeder/Mark Jenniges-Environmental City of Mitchell-Absent
 21. Randy Pratt-Amateur Radio Operators-Absent
 22. Adam Frerichs-Regional Emergency Management Coordinator-Absent
 23. LT Rod & LT Amber Morin-Salvation Army-Absent
 24. Brandon Wingert (Hanson County)/Skyler Kehn (Aurora County)-Emergency Management-Absent
 25. Dave Beintema-Elected Official-Absent
 26. Petar Mirkovic-Health-Absent
 27. Ruth Ragels-SD Family Assistance Center for Military Service Members-Absent
 28. Dawn Niehoff-MPD Dispatch-Absent
 29. Jordan Hanson-Mayor-Absent
 30. Stephanie Ellwein-City Administrator-Absent
 31. Denny Kiner-Commissioner-Absent
 32. Ryan Stahl-Environmental City of Mt. Vernon-Absent
 33. Bob Riggs-Environmental City of Ethan-Absent
 34. Robert Reuland-Red Cross
 - a. Willis Gravning also attended the meeting.
 - b. Robert reported the Red Cross will be completing a review of all shelters with the EMs. Volunteers are needed to assist until the Red Cross Volunteers can get to the shelter.

- c. Robert just returned from hurricane response, where he learned many things he would like to implement in SD.
 - d. Volunteers from SD are in North Carolina, Florida, and California.
 - e. Volunteers are involved in CISM, due to the many deaths they have seen during the disasters.
35. John Sieverding-Education-Public-Absent
36. Kevin Adams-DWU
- a. Kevin reported the DWU insurance inspection went well.
37. Scott Fossum-Education-MTC-Absent
38. Peggy Tisdell-Community Member-Absent
39. Dan Muck-Community Member-Absent
40. Richard Sweeney-CHS-Absent
41. Jackie Horton-CASA-Absent
42. Andy Mentele-S.A.R.-Absent
43. Rusty Weinberg-HWY Dept.-Absent
44. Jenna Auch/Carissa Shinstine-County Health Nurse Office-Absent
45. Dave Kluth (Mt. Vernon) / Izaak Goldammer (Ethan)-Fire-Absent
46. JP Skelly-Media-Absent
47. Comments from the Committee
48. Next meeting is scheduled for December 11, 2024 @ 10:30 A.M.
49. Adjourn the Meeting.
- a. Motion by Steve, 2nd by Michelle to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Chairman Signature:  _____

Date: 12/11/2024