



**Meeting Minutes for
Clare County LEPC/LPT**

Date/Time of Meeting: 10/21/2014 10:00AM

Location of Meeting: CCTC Boardroom

Members Present: K. Tubbs GTFD, J. Chapman CFD, D. Williams STFD, J. Wilson CCSD, T. Beadle CofHarrison, P. Agin HFD, J. Osborn Tender care Clare, D. Sunday CCRC, S. King CMDHD, A. Woods Northwood's Farwell, M. Gray Prestige Place Clare, M. Fitzpatrick CC Bldg./Senior svcs, N. Oster CCSD, T. lane CCSD, J. Becker CCEMD, T. pirnstill CCTC, Cory Barz CCTC.

Guests: Bill Ernat EMCOG, Kevin Courtney, Dennis Mutschler – Chrouch Communications.

Reading and Approval of Minutes: 1st _P.Agin_____ 2nd
T.Brubaker_____.

Changes Noted: None.

Old Business Items: Hazard Mitigation Plan/ Covered in New Business section.

Agenda Item #1: NIMS Local agencies needs training, exercises, requirements etc.

Discussion: Becker covered requirements for NIMS and offered Sherwood classroom and computers for training, do we need to look at ICS300/400 class for new personnel?

Action: Report back to J. Becker with needs etc.

Agenda Item #2: Recap of 2014 Full Scale Exercise, Nothing new to report.

Discussion: N/A

Action: N/A

Agenda Item #3: Hazard Mitigation plan, B. Ernat covered Population shifts, Amish populations, Went over and populated Hazard Classification schedule, and Vulnerability tables.

Discussion: Additional meetings needed so group was advised and next HM plan meeting set for November 12th 2014 at CCTC 10:00AM, Will go over Percentages calculated as per B. Ernat sending to Becker to forward out on 10/22/104.

Action: Next HMA meeting CCTC November 12th 2014 10:00AM.

Agenda Item #4: Next exercise discussed and group refined for planning purposes February 2015 Scenario planned multicar pileup and mass casualty etc. from winter storm.

Discussion: Group was refined down and additional emailers will be going out to Exercise Design Group.

Action: Becker sending out emailers to group selected.

Agenda Item #5: Public education projects for 2014/2015.

Discussion: Flu vaccination clinics planned by Health Dept. discussed, Ebola Training and education.

Action: Health Dept. forwarding info. To agencies on vaccination clinics and importance Ebola training again at Clare Hospital available to responders on Thursday 7A4:30P.

Agenda Item#6: Rollout of preliminary HSGP/SHSP Homeland Security Grant, Clare County's appx. Allocation briefly discussed appx. 13% increase from last year exact number not yet available.

Discussion: Becker will have more details at next meeting.

Action: None at this time.

Agenda Item #7: Towers Communications and recent fire communications disruption. (This meeting took place after other members were offered to adjourn that this topic didn't affect).

Discussion: Multiple points of discussion took place after Becker explained what had happened that disrupted VHF radio communications from the Clare County Fire South site appx. Two weeks ago. Becker outlined issues created by an outside radio source completely disrupting communications for several days until a new input frequency was programmed in, during period several attempts to restore service were tried including moving of repeater etc. Clare Fire repeater was pushed into service to supplement and is still being used by CFD and as a backup for STFD but Fire South is now operating properly.

Discussion: Much discussion took place from Chief Chapman and concerns to system and suggestions including another move to a site in Isabella County near Rosebush, additional input from Chrouch Communications as to future thought of output frequency change as ours is a NPSTC designate channel with waiver, also issues discussed and highlighted in regards to whether FCC/APCO would grant additional stations or height changes discussed because of license waiver. Additional frequencies are being coordinated for Tac 2 site since that was the frequency that was repurposed for the Fire South site. Becker advised group that November 3rd 2014 was the current scheduled installation of Antennas and Cables for TransCanada site and we would transfer Fire west over for Beta testing etc. Concerns over coverage were discussed and multiple viewpoints were covered. This group will continue to re-evaluate the Public Safety communications issues and needs for Clare County and continue to collaborate amongst the groups involved, all suggestions and input were appreciated and taken into consideration and the group was thanked for their input

Action: Continued monitoring of systems and re-evaluations also communications with groups involved and more communications after November 3rd 2014 TransCanada installation is complete and RF testing begins.

Public Comment: Nick Oster reminded group of Harrison Schools Planned Lockdown drills scheduled for 10/22/2014 Pre meeting at Sherwood Conference center at 09:00Hrs.

Announcements: Health Department moving into new facility in dcemebr2014.

Future Agenda Items: Additional Hazard Mitigation meetings with sub group, Begin preparing FY2013 Local Grant Projects for discussion.

Adjourn: 1st Agin_____ 2nd Brubaker_____.

Next Meeting: January 27th 2015 10:00AM CCTC.

Minutes Prepared By: J. Becker
(Approved). 1st. Pirnstill, 2nd Brubaker 01/27/2015.