



Meeting Minutes for Clare County LEPC/LPT Board

Date/Time of Meeting: **10/19/2021**

Location of Meeting: **CCTC 1473 Transportation Dr. Harrison, Mi.**

Members Present: Jerry Becker/CCEMHS, Dale Majewski/LTFD/CCBOC, Don VanBonn/CCSD, Tom Pirstill/CCTC, Mary Jo Beal/MCA/MRMC, Jeremy Howard/City of Clare, David Angst/Advanced Battery Concepts, James Chapman/CFD, Lt. Josh Lator/MSP 63, Kathleen Kelly/Lear Corp., Dwayne Miedzianowski/CCSD, Marlana Terrian/CC911, Tracey Connelly/City of Harrison, Tracy Byard/Clare County Admin. (V)/Harrison, Lt. Orville Theaker/MSP Dist. 6/Grand Rapids, (V), Antoinette Prabucki/MDHS (V)/Saginaw, Carl Bryans/MMR, Melissa DeRoche/CMDHD, (V) (Mobile), Chris Damvelt/HCFD, Tim Walters/Medilodge Clare.

Guests: Dave Johnson MSP 63

Approve Agenda: 1st MJ Beal 2nd M Terrian/ as written

Review and Approval of Minutes: 1st.M Terrian 2nd_MJ Beal.
Changes Noted None

Public Comment: None

Introductions: All members

Old Business Items: Local/Clare County Emergency Declaration, Primarily in place to cover Clare County and surrounding jurisdictions for Open Meetings Act requirements. Still in effect until 12/31/2021. Broadband Brief/ J. Becker. Many Grants are becoming available for Rural Broadband Expansion, Most have two full years to build out, Recommendation is to take time and educate as to the needs and requirements and potential partnerships for obtaining this money. Becker identified some of the Broadband companies with licensure and interest in Clare County, some of these include the Electric Co-Ops that are currently building fiber projects on our boarders. Becker encouraged anyone who is interested, that they may join the Clare County Broadband Network Users Group that meets quarterly at the CGRESD.

NEW BUSINESS:

Agenda Item #1: FY18/19/20 HSGP Grant Updates, and local projects status/ Becker

Discussion: Becker detailed the current status of the FY18 HSGP 800MHZ radio project, Radios have started arriving and are being delivered as they come in/ 50% to Law Enforcement, 50% to Fire. For FY19 HSGP It was planned and approved to split the project money between; A Dive Team Project and 800MHZ radios.

Action: Additional Motions/Action Listed on Agenda Item#2.

Agenda Item #2: Motions; 1. Adjust FY19 HSGP Local 800MHZ radio project to spend total grant award of \$21,815.00 on 800MHZ radios for Law Enforcement, 2. Move CCSD Dive Team Equipment/Training Project from FY19 HSGP Local projects to FY20 HSGP Local



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projects.

Discussion: All Motions attached to board packets sent out previous to meeting.

Action: All motions approved. Amended FY19 AAF submitted to State of Michigan for review and approval. Waiting for documents for FY20 projects for Dive Team.

Agenda Item #3: Motion#3, Select 2022 Regional Representatives fro; R6 HSPB Board, Sub-Committees.

Discussion: Appointed J. Becker CCEMHS as Primary to all committees and sub-committees, Lt. Don VanBonn CCSD as secondary representative on all sub-committees.

Action: Motion attached showing appointments to: Regional Governing Board/Sub-Committees; LETPA, CIKR, Interop, Operational Readiness, Planning and related Focus Groups.

Agenda Item #4: Hazard Mitigation Planning Group updates/ Becker

Discussion: A recent Residential Online survey was put out across the county for public input as to Hazards Affecting Them. Becker was interviewed by TV 9&10 recently, and promoted the survey. Becker briefed the group on where the planning group is currently at, and the process it took to get here. A brief of projects through Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Fund projects shared. Lt. Theaker was called on the address some of the current requests to Senator Peter's office, regarding Hazard Mitigation Plans and FEMA. Storm Act Funding was outlined which only addresses lakeshore properties currently, Hazard Mitigation Grants are available only if a current approved plan is in place. Plans are currently valid for five years. A proposal to Senator Peters to FEMA is to have either of the following; A Six Year Plan Length Instead of current five year, Second offering a grant extension beyond five years upon request. This would buy some time to allow counties to get their plans updated, Especially with COVID delays from 2020 that has pushed back new planning efforts more than twelve months. It should be noted that this does not affect any emergency declared funds if made available.

Action: Online residential survey ends on November 17th, 2021.

Agenda Item #5: Introduce New EHS Coordinator for Advanced Battery Concepts Clare, Mi. David Angst

Discussion: Kathleen Kelly Introduced herself to the group and her responsibilities at Lear Corp. Farwell.

Action: Becker/Angst will be meeting and touring the facility on November 3rd, 2021, and a review of the site plan. Tours of all 302 site facilities take place with public safety partners.

Agenda Item #6: Clare County TTX Exercise for 2022/ Energy Disruption Exercise; Main focus group: LTC, Healthcare, Public Housing.

Discussion: Becker advised the group that some of the LEPC/LPT Group need to be on the Exercise Planning Group and or participants. Additional members spoke up as to interest and will be notified as the planning process gets underway.

Action: The recent summer storms and power disruptions exacerbated the need for additional coordination with vulnerable facilities such as; Healthcare, LTC, Public Housing locations. Lt. Lator spoke about the past grants available to gas stations and if they were obtained by local stations. Lt. Lator also posed that Gas Station Plans that are in place but in need of updating. These plans show what stations have backup power and capabilities. Additionally the priority fueling of Public Safety vehicles, and what contingency to distribute fuel in times of major disruption. Becker



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will be asking the road patrols shortly to get the list updated, so we can update our master station plan. This exercise will also be an opportunity to utilize our LEAP Energy Plan. Exercise timeframe is for spring 2022, with a firmer date to be rolled out at the January 2022 LEPC meeting.

Roundtable Discussion: Lt. Theaker overviewed this past summer's weather events that impacted the Region and our area this past summer. He outlined that some Regional partners have begun spooling back up their active assailant training processes. Lt. Lator spoke to the group on recent crime activity that has occurred in nearby counties and some issues causing this type of activity. Much of the activity happening are choices made and relationships between people. Most of these incidents are interrelated with people who are associated with known people. Harrison City Manager Tracey Connelly advised that several infrastructure/ Water Sewer projects will be launching throughout the City of Harrison over the next year. Senior Living Complex still in planning for the south end of the city. Undersheriff Miedzianowski advised as the jail wall project that is almost complete, Additional changes in short staffing and retirements etc. Two Fire departments are waiting for fire truck builds and the disruptions causing time delays in the supply chain. MJ Beal thanked Surrey/Clare Fire for their recent staff training on fire extinguishers. Due to short staffing they will be changing their active shooter exercise date to December 8th, and maybe further delayed. Beal addressed the staffing shortages and increased patient flow. MMMCC is asking for patience and please wear a mask when you enter their facilities. The hospital is seeing an increased amount of behavioral issues by the public. Jeremy Howard Clare City Manager outlined some of the downtown bridge projects and traffic re-routing taking place in the City of Clare, C. Bryans asked about the status of the Tobacco River/Shamrock Dredge project, and Howard described they were close to beginning the dredging project. Carl Bryans added to the discussion as to staffing issues and MMRs challenges when it comes to transports and diversions. Staffing in EMS is also being strained and is in need of medics. Lt. Lator inquired about any local testing of wastewater treatment for COVID. This has been used in other communities to gauge what the 10 day advanced COVID patient cases would then start to present.

Public Comment: None

Announcements: Please review the 2022 LEPC/LPT Meeting Schedule.

Future Agenda Items: January EAG Action Items; Capability Assessment/HSGP Related Grants Review/Local Projects. Spring 2022 County Exercise planning/Hazard Mitigation Planning.

Adjourn:

Next Meeting: January 18th, 2022

Minutes Prepared By: J. Becker CCEMHSD