

**Carson County LEPC  
Carson County War Memorial  
September 26, 2019 @ 12:00**

**MINUTES**

Meeting attendees signed in and lunch was served. Meeting called to order at 12:18 by LEPC Vice-Chair, Sace Hardman.

Introductions:

Sace Hardman – Panhandle Police Department

Jean Hardman – Carson County Justice of Peace Pct#2

Celeste Bichsel – Carson County Clerk

Shaun Jones – Panhandle Fire Department/EMS

Jesse Parks – White Deer Fire Department

Troy Fulton – White Deer Fire Department

Raul Rodriguez – Enterprise Products

Tommy Blackwell – Enterprise Products

Jerry Langwell – Hutchinson County Emergency Management

Kenton Falerios – Pantex Emergency Management

Joe Minschew – Texas Division of Emergency Management

Stacie Pahl – Carson County Emergency Management

Lorrie Baze – Panhandle EMS

\*\* Others in attendance following introductions

Katherine Murray – Carson County Sheriff's Department

Kalee Massey – Carson County Sheriff's Department

Mike Jennings – Carson County Commissioner Pct#3

Sace Hardman stated that the need for a nomination and election of a new Information Coordinator and Treasurer. The former Carson County EMC, Brenda Vermillion, had fulfilled these committee duties as the Carson County EMC and recently retired. Jean Hardman motioned to nominate new Carson County EMC, Stacie Pahl, to fill the Information Coordinator and Treasurer positions for LEPC. The motion was seconded by Kenton Falerios.

The meeting proceeded with presentation and review of meeting minutes from May 30, 2019. Shaun Jones motioned to approve the minutes. Sace Hardman

seconded approval of the minutes as presented. No discussion. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Balance of \$7,340.24 is in the LEPC account. The treasurer's report was approved by those in attendance.

#### Old Business

Reminder of NIMS training being completed and documentation is needed to the group.

Reminded everyone that the LEPC committee will continue to publicize agendas and minutes through the Carson County website: [www.co.carson.tx.us](http://www.co.carson.tx.us)

#### New Business

New Carson County EMC, Stacie Pahl, gave a more thorough introduction and welcomed the group.

Membership list, TDEM 151 has been updated to reflect the new EMC.

The Regional LECP meeting in Lubbock on July 12<sup>th</sup> provided the newest updates to guideline changes and handbook. Michelle Huckabee, TDEM Hazmat Program Administrator, also provided information on free training and classes available. Course descriptions may be found at [preparingtexas.org](http://preparingtexas.org).

Planning for the First 100 Minutes training was offered on August 7<sup>th</sup> in Albuquerque. EMC informed that the response guide and assimilated video are available online at Department of Homeland Security:

<https://www.dhs.gov/publication/st-frg-rdd-response-guidance-planning-first-100-minutes>

The 10<sup>th</sup> PREMAC Conference took place September 18<sup>th</sup> and covered topics in agroterrorism, global terrorism, bioterror, and offered break-out sessions.

Raul Rodriguez from Enterprise Production informed that the company and county would be conducting a table-top exercise tentatively scheduled for October 9<sup>th</sup> at the Carson County EOC.

Kenton Falerios, Pantex Emergency Management, updated that Pantex would be having a functional exercise on October 9<sup>th</sup>, a full-scale exercise planned for June 3, 2020, and would also like to work in the future with the Carson County Justice of the Peace office on a mass fatality scenario.

EMC also informed of National Weather Service exercise taking place on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

Emergency plan annexes are needed to be updated, and all annexes will be converted to Essential Support Functions (ESFs) as soon as possible.

Pantex's new Emergency Planning Zone (EPZ) was approved in July. Updates to emergency plans will include these changes, and maps will be produced for first responders, EOC, etc. to include the new map. Kenton Falerios presented the differences in the old map and the new map to the group.

Joe Minshe, TDEM District Coordinator, updated on the transition of TDEM from Texas Department of Public Safety to The Texas A&M University System.

#### Other Business:

Carson County has been on a trial with the Active 9-1-1 app. The program would replace e-dispatch if chosen.

Jerry Langwell, Hutchinson County EMC, spoke to the group and provided additional information about the system. Hutchinson County has been using Active 9-1-1 for close to 3 years. Langwell said that it is extremely helpful in wildfire season to know location of responders and resources. It was pointed out the Carson County not having 9-1-1 CAD system in dispatch created the additional work of manually putting in incident information. This creates additional work, but also allows for input of more detail and description of the incident. The Active 9-1-1 app is inexpensive compared to many other options. Hutchinson EMC offered to answer any other questions.

The Active 9-1-1 trial period will end in October. The group all had positive feedback on the app.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn meeting at 12:58 pm.