

Grant County Local Emergency Planning Committee
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Don Button called the September 26, 2019 Local Emergency Planning Meeting to order at 9:32 AM with eleven members present at the Grant County Fire Station, 715 E Oklahoma Ave. Those present were Don Button, Vivian Button, John Crosby, Richard Everett, Paul Fort, Toni Irvin, Fernando Rodriguez-Infante, Christy Wooley, Mike Wooley, Ron Younger and a new representative for the hospital Darcy Gollher.

Paul Fort made a motion to approve the minutes to the August 22, 2019 LEPC Meeting and Mike Wooley seconded.

The LEPC received a pipeline awareness brochure from DCP midstream.

Old (Unfinished) Business

On August 27 the Buffalo Wind Table Top Exercise was held. Exercise Participants from Grant County were Fire Department, Emergency Medical Service, Emergency Management and Bob Wilson Memorial Hospital; from Haskell County were Emergency Medical Service, Emergency Management, Law Enforcement and Satanta Hospital; and three from Enel Energy Buffalo Dunes Wind Farm. Everyone learned a lot from the exercise and the group needs to set a date for an After Action Review and finish the paperwork. The exercise included injuries on the ground as well as injuries and medical issues in the tower. Enel would like all of their employees to attend an exercise. (Exercise Committee-Don Button, John Crosby, Jill Robinson and Todd White)

Southern Star's Workshop Exercise for new employees was held on August 26. Don Button and Paul Fort attended. They would like to hold a table top exercise with emergency responders in the future. Southern Star Pipeline will be checking lines or pigging starting on September 30. They will be burning off fuel so there may be some flaring or fire coming out of the pipes at the plant. This will be done during the daylight hours. They have informed dispatch and dispatch was given a contact number if needed.

Don and Vivian Button attended the Kansas Emergency Management Conference on September 11 to 13 in Topeka. They attended the EOPmapper and Emergency Operations Plan training; Safe School; information on the Oklahoma State University parade where a car ran into the crowd; and information on the Las Vegas shooting.

Nov 4th Region C & D Mitigation meeting will be at 13:00 to 15:30 in Ulysses for Grant, Kearny, Stevens, Morton and Stanton Counties to update our regional plan. Those involved last time from Grant County were county departments, City of Ulysses, Pioneer Electric Cooperative and USD 214. To be eligible for Mitigation Grant Dollars your department or company has to be involved in the Mitigation Plan. Vivian forwarded the information and there is a survey to take to get information to help update the plan.

TEPW-Training Exercise Planning Workshop

The purpose of the training and exercise planning workshop is to discuss the hazards that affect our community and evaluate the training needs for the community; and how best to address those needs. Do we need additional training and what exercise would best improve our response and capabilities?

The main threat to our community for the last year has been weather issues with high winds, hail and heavy rain. Now drought since we have not had much rain in the last two months. There is a lot of vegetation from the rain that is drying out from the lack of rain and high temperatures and wind to feed a fire.

Skyline Grain is putting in a new Fuel storage facility west of town. It could hold one million gallons of gas and 2 million gallons of diesel.

Because of the road construction in Garden City more of the larger vehicles are coming down US Highway 160. Paul Fort talked about all of the vehicles and chemicals they see come by the Emergency Services Building.

The Committee reviewed the paperwork from last year. The main threats to the county were 1 Severe Weather (which included all weather issues), 2 Wild land Fires, 3 Utility and Infrastructure Failure, 4 Infectious Disease/bio Terrorism Major Disease Outbreak, 5 Mass Casualty, 6 Hazardous Materials, 7 Animal Disease/FAD, Ag related Incidents, 8 Terrorism/Agri-Terrorism.

The Committee decided Hazardous Materials should be moved up and Cyber-security should be added.

For 2019 the threats will be.

- 1. Severe Weather (which included all weather issues),**
- 2. Wild land Fires,**
- 3. Utility and Infrastructure Failure,**
- 4. Hazardous Materials**
- 5. Infectious Disease/bio Terrorism Major Disease Outbreak,**
- 6. Mass Casualty,**
- 7. Animal Disease/FAD, Ag related Incidents,**
- 8. Terrorism/Agri-Terrorism/Cyber-security**

In January Grant County participated in the LEPC Hazardous Material Exercise in Garden City. The LEPC Exercise Committee put together the Buffalo Dunes Wind Farm Exercise for August 27 which was a Mass Casualty incident involving two counties since it is in both counties and because of the number of patient.

The hospital and Compass Behavioral Health would like to have an Active Shooter Exercise. Fernando said Compass just has steps to follow, they might need to work on a policy. He also talked about touring their facility.

Our updated exercise calendar set up in 2019:

2020

First quarter	Workshop	Winter Storm
Second Quarter	Full Scale	Public Health/Hospital Exercise/LTC
Third quarter	Table Top	Active Shooter
Fourth quarter	Workshop	TEPW

2021

First Quarter	Full Scale	Public Health/Hospital Exercise/LTC
Second Quarter	Functional	Active Shooter
Third Quarter	Table Top	HazMat
Fourth Quarter	Workshop	TEPW

2022

First Quarter	Table Top	Public Health/Hospital Exercise/LTC/LEPC
Second Quarter	Table Top	Cyber-security/Utility Infrastructure failure/Coop
Third Quarter	Full Scale	HazMat/Rural Trauma/Chemical Spray rigs
Fourth Quarter	Workshop	TEPW

New Business

Six Spill Reports since the last meeting of Saltwater/Brine.

Safety Fest and October Fest will be October 5th. Fire Department and Emergency Management will participate.

We will review of ESF 10 at the October meeting. On October 1st we have a Regional EOP Workshop in Garden City. The 2020 Kansas Planning Standards are out and we will have to make sure to update ESF 10 to match the standards. The state would like to see us take the questions out of the plan but they said it is our plan so we can do what we want.

Don talked about the State changing the 800 radio template. He has asked for a crosswalk to see what they are changing. They are taking out some of the SW11-Fire, EMS, EM and LE. SW11-Med will still be in the template.

Five State Regional Emergency Management Conference will be November 6 to 8 in Liberal Kansas. On November 6 at 8:30 to 11:30 will be WebEOC training or Grain Rescue at the Air Museum from 8:00am to 16:00. The conference will start at 13:00 on November 6th. On November 7th the conference will start at 8:00am with the last session starting at 15:00 Mental Health for the First Responders, the additional options are 800 to 1700 EM/:E/Nurse/Fire: Med HazMat & Decon or 0900 to 1100 Stop the Bleed. Day 3 will start at 8:00 and closing remarks will be at 11:30. Also each day of the conference will have a Module of the Five States Fall Fiasco Table Top Exercise and in the Parking Lot will be a Regional Resources Rodeo in the Parking lot.

Fall Clean up is October 7th to 11th.

Some of the upcoming trainings are: WebEOC training November 6th in Liberal before the 5-state conference; Medical HazMat and decontamination Garden City November 6; L0958 All Hazards IMT Operations Section Chief in Russell Sept 30- Oct 3; 5 state Regional EM Conference in Liberal Nov 6-8; and Regional EOP workshop on Oct 1 in Garden City at fairgrounds

Public Comments

John Crosby said the building is pretty much done so they are back to training. They hope to have the Fire Task Force active by January 1. They are trying to get a frequency just for the task force.

Richard Everett said they are working on the Highway Patrol Inventory and the first quarter reports.

Tony Irvin said flu shots are in and the Health Department was doing the first Offsite Flu Clinic this morning.

Don apologized to Darcy Gollhofer for not introducing her. She is the new Emergency Management person for Centura.

Paul said Emergency Medical is working with the Health Department they are seeing a lot stomach bugs in young people. They are taking care of special events for the schools. The hospital will begin remodeling the Emergency Room area in the next month. They are looking at holding an EMTA class

Fernando said Compass Behavioral Health is helping sponsor the First Responder Safety, Health and Wellness Symposium on October 25-26, 2019 from 8am to 5pm at the Ford County Expo Center in Dodge City. They will have Suicide Awareness information at the football game on Friday.

Mike Wooley said the Kansas Pipeline Association meeting in Hugoton will be the first Monday in March and will have a meeting on the second Monday in March in Ulysses.

Don said the National Weather Service Storm Identification and Spotter training will be the second Tuesday in March.

The next meeting will be October 24, 2019 at 9:30am at the meeting room of the Grant County Fire Station at 715 E. Oklahoma Ave.

Darcy Gollhofer made a motion to adjourn and Paul Fort Seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:53am.

Meeting left in 2019

October 24 -November 21 because of Thanksgiving
Respectfully submitted by Vivian Button