

Minutes

EMS Technical Advisory Committee

Friday, October 31, 2008
8:30 AM
MEDIC EMS
Lower Level Conference Room
1204 E High Street
Davenport

Meeting called by:

C. Ray Wierson, Vice-Chairman

Type of meeting:

Regular Monthly Meeting-MCI/RV Protocol Meeting following TAC

Agenda topics

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Scott County Fire Chief's Report
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Adjourn

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Attendees:

Paul Andorf, Larry Barker, Ross Bergen, Mary Briones, Melinda Bryant, Amy Cannady, Dennis Conard, Dennis Coon, Jermeiah Cowgill, Dave Donovan, Linda Frederiksen, Mark Frese, Chuck Gipson, Kevin Greenley, Kathy Hall, Dave Helfrich, Brian Hitchcock, Jane Imming, Brian Jacobsen, Dave Kelly, Steve Knorrek, Nita Ludwig, Steffan Nass, Linda Nielsen, Travis Noyd, Sandy Perry, Phil Redington, Scott Roenfeldt, Brenda Schwarz, Jerry Shirk, Mark Slagle, Adam Sowell, Jamie Temple, Mary Thee, Richard Vermeer, Gerry Voelliger, Steve Wearth, C. Ray Wierson.

Agenda topics

Call to Order

Everyone introduced themselves.

Minutes of the September 26 Meeting

Motion to approve the September 26 meeting minutes was seconded and approved unanimously.

Homeland Security/EMA Report

Discussion: Ross Bergen

Following the meeting today an identified group will be taking a look of a draft implantation policy for the MCIRV/Mass Casualty Incident Response Vehicle. Ross checked with Exelon regarding any additional funding for the EOC portion of the FCCC building. They indicated if they can provide costs associated with furniture, phones and other equipment they may be able to go up to \$20,000 in funding, Ross will follow up on that as plans go forward. A Radiological Emergency Response Plan Training with Secondary Roads will be held in November. He has not received final confirmation from the Davenport Rotary on the list of volunteers to help in the off site plan but will be contacting them to follow up. Ross worked with the Scott County Administration and Bi State Regional Commission pursuing a Hazard Mitigation Plan which will hopefully be extended to a county wide plan. Ross attended a two day course regarding the plan in October and will be sending notes with additional information out to the group that is working on the plan. On October 9th Genesis and Medic had a very good drill on the Off Site Emergency Response Plan. The initial report is showing no deficiencies or any areas requiring corrective action. Ross has completed the review of the Multi-Hazard Plan for the county and will be rewriting as one plan in 15 separate books calling it the Emergency Operation Plan.

SECC Report

Discussion: Brian Hitchcock/Dave Donavon

They have been working on the CAD RMS System. Brian has also been working with Scott County GIS on issues that will need to be resolved before adding all the things into the CADS system. They are working with Scott County Human Resources to assist in the hiring of an IT Coordinator for the CADS project. They have started the initial work on the tower project where the dispatch center/EOC building is going to be for FCC and FAA approval. They have been working with the radio consultant on the radio system. With the help of the different agencies they have pinpointed different areas within the county that need improvements. Last Friday Paul (radio consultant) and Brian met with RACOM in Marshalltown where they unveiled a plan to resolve coverage problems. RACOM needs to invest 1.75 million to receive 95% coverage throughout the entire county. Recently an inventory on radios for all the agencies was completed coming up with 1,501 radios for public safety agencies county wide. They have also been working with Quest on the 911 telephone system as to what will be brought into the center and costs estimates.

Dave Donavon reported on the October Building Design Meeting which they updated the Chiefs on the progress. Currently it is pre-architectural work identifying spaces and looking at how the spaces within the building will interrelate. In November they will be giving a report to the SECC Board and then from there will begin schematic design with the board's approval.

Brian said Wednesday they were advised that they were awarded a Federal Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$2.7 million. The purpose of the grant is to assist police, fire and ambulance public service agencies to consolidate radio communications, allowing improved communications and interoperability across regional areas. Ray Wierson commented the SECC received the single largest grant which represented 34% of the available funds.

Hospital Planning Report

Discussion:

Genesis reported that the trauma conference to be held next Wednesday will be on burn victims. The University of Iowa will be presenting the conference.

Trinity is participating in a tabletop drill on November 10th.

Public Health Planning Report

Discussion: Denny Coon/Nita Ludwig/Jerry Shirk/Melinda Bryant

November 20th is the next Board of Health Meeting. Brian will be attending the meeting to educate them on what is happening at SECC. They have just received a copy of the Public Preparedness Grant for next year and will be reviewing and submitting it. There are regional exercises scheduled for February with backup dates in March. There could possibly be a \$5,000 enhancement for EMS to participate in this exercise. More details will follow. He is continuing to work with community partners with a meeting scheduled for this afternoon on transport issues. They are working with the blood center on tabletop exercises specific to the blood center. Melinda explained the tabletop exercise drill will be February 17th on Pandemic Influenza. The drill will focus on how to move blood products in times that can be difficult

and also the affects that could occur with the donor base and supply chains. The biggest concern is the ability to access supplies that they need in difficult times and to get the blood to the hospitals.

Nita said that Rock Island county has a tabletop drill on Tuesday with the focus on Pandemic Flu with a spin on security issues. The medical reserve core has over 106 volunteers with 40 people trained. After the holidays they will start training again. They are beginning the planning process for a full scale exercise in June based on their drop sites in the county if they were to request the strategic national stockpile. They now have a Regional Pandemic Flu Task Force.

Jerry said they met with Rock Island and Scott counties on the DOD strategic national stockpile and civilian staff stockpile which will be one of many meetings.

SCEMSA/PAB Report

Discussion: Richard Vermeer/Denny Coon/Brian Jacobsen

Defibrillators have been received and are being distributed as part of the last Riverboat Grant. They are just about ready to order some RAD 57 Pulse CO-Oximetry units with significant savings off the list price. Group purchasing is to our advantage.

Looking ahead Denny said the combined Fire Chiefs meeting in November will be held at Princeton. The goal at the meeting is to do the roll out of the Mass Casualty vehicle. Jim Tweed from the fire chiefs group is talking to representatives from the Scott County Regional Authority to be present at the meeting to speak about grant applications.

Vermeer said the PAB meant on the 1st of October. They talked about M I alert issues and having rapid access to the Cath Lab with a Cardiologist who is skilled to open up the artery. The local cardiology group only has one doctor on call to handle the M I Alerts. The PAB is sending the question back to the cardiology group to come up with a solution on how they want to handle the transport issue. Currently priority #1 for destination is where the patient chooses their local hospital and priority #2 if no preference is given and they meet the M I Alert criteria they are transported to Genesis East because that is where the Cardiologists have requested them to be transported to. Denny commented Scott County is in a unique position since they have two Cath Labs as choices and are very fortunate to be in this position.

The PAB is looking at technology for transmitting EKG's. Current systems in use have to go through a cumbersome process to reach a destination. The new technology they are viewing would be able to send faxes or wireless signals to a server.

Denny commented all protocols and protocol changes were approved. They are looking at changing some protocols collectively that are coming up in the near future. Chief Voelliger asked Denny if the taser protocol was coming up for review. He had some research results from their legal advisory committee that he will forward on to Denny. The main issue is if the taser barb should be removed in the field. The three types of claims are for excessive force, inadequate training and failure to provide medical treatment.

Scott County Fire Chief's Report

Discussion: Scott Roenfeldt

No meeting this month. Scott commented a local fire department did not understand the grant protocol and the Riverboat Grant Committee received a double request.

Education Report

Discussion: Jamie Temple/Steve Wearth

Basic Practical Exam is January 10th. Basic Refresher will be held on February 6, 7 and 8th. Advance Refresher will be held on January 23, 24, 25th and February 27, 28 and March 1st. ACLS and PALS instructor class will be November 12th. An email will be sent with the course dates.

Community College is working with training officers to have a barge/tow boat training seminar this spring. A couple of classes are scheduled this winter for ice rescue. The burn building framework is up. The slides are down while the steps and tower remain.

Law Enforcement Report

Discussion: Dennis Conard

Occupancy for Phase 2 renovation is complete with movement of the female inmates into the jail.

Special Populations Planning Initiative

Discussion: Denny Coon

ASTHO has a good template and tool to follow.

Other Items of Interest

Mark Frese said that each applicant had the opportunity to come before the selection committee and Dave and Brian did a great job.

Linda Frederiksen noted that she attended a meeting in Kansas City, MO and many of the service directors from the country were activating their EOCS for election day.

Dan thanked Scott County FSS and the Sheriff for housing the supplies for the 14 sheltering trailers.

Gerry explained that there is a HIPAA clause for animals.

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