

# Agenda

## Quad City Emergency Planning Committee

Friday January 27, 2023

8:30 AM

Scott Emergency Communications Center

Emergency Operations Center (EOC)

1100 E 46th Street

Davenport IA

**Meeting called by:** Decker Ploehn, Chairman QCEPC

**Type of meeting:** Monthly QCEPC

### Agenda topics

Meeting Called to Order

Introductions

Approval of Minutes of the December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, QCEPC Meeting

Homeland Security/EMA/ IMT/PIO Workshop

Communication Center Updates

Healthcare Coalition Updates

Other Hospital/Healthcare/Public Health Reports

EMS Reports

Fire Service Reports

Law Enforcement/TSA/Intel Reports

Education Update

Public Works/Secondary Roads Reports

Other Items of Interest

Next Meeting Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 8:30 A.M.

Adjourn

## **Minutes of the Quad Cities Emergency Planning Committee**

December 2, 2022, 8:30 A.M.

Meeting Called to order by: Decker Ploehn

Attendees: John Bray, Denise Bulat, George Carizey, Matt Desmyter, Don Hahn, Chris Jasper, Keith Kimball, Steve Knorrek, Dan Kruse, Kevin Lange, Molly McKee, Kate Meyer, Travis Noyd, Brian Payne, Tiffany Peterson, Decker Ploehn, Jacob Pries, Scott Ryckeghem, Tracey Sanders, Jamie Temple, Dan Vosatka, Patsy Willits, Jeffery Yerkey, Patrich Newman, Mitch Meador, and Zach Musall.

### **Call to Order- Introductions**

The meeting began with introductions.

### **Approval of Minutes of the October 28, 2022, Meeting**

Keith Kimball motioned to approve the QCEPC October 28, 2022, meeting minutes; Kevin Lange seconded the motion. All Ayes.

### **Homeland Security/EMA/IMT/PIO Workshop**

No updates from Clinton or Muscatine County EMA's.

Matt Desmyter, Rock Island County EMA, stated they were tested and graded on 32 concepts on the preparedness of their office. A few things were brought up that they scored low on. One being not having an official MOU with the Search and Rescue Team. Desmyter also stated that during school threat assessments, EMA and Fire were communicating different information and wanted to be on the same page with one another. December 13, 2022 Rock Island County EMA will be hosting a Frontier Precision Drone class.

Brian Payne, Scott County EMA, stated that we are looking to transition and focus some of Jim's time to training. ICS 300 and 400 are tentative, but hoping for 300 to be taught in January and 400 on a later date. Hoping to engage local instructors as well. Brian stated that our office is planning for a Public Preparedness Festival in September 2023 that will be held for one day. Planning is still in process but hoping to have professional speakers, Fire Department, Law Enforcement, and be kid friendly. The REP plans are changing and we will be using IPAWS as a backup. On December 18<sup>th</sup> an IPAWS test message will be sent out county wide.

### **Communications Center Updates**

Tracey Sanders, SECC, stated that Bettendorf and dispatch have switched over to encryption. This meaning that people will not be able to listen through scanners anymore. Illinois will be switching over to encryption next week with law enforcement and fire. Rock Island Sherriff's office in transitioning slowly over to encryption. P25 radios and fully up and running. Stated that SECC may entertain a public safety site or portal, which will give the public access to close range location of where calls are coming from, but not the exact location.

Chris Jasper, Muscatine, stated they would be adding 7 more tower in the next 18 months during their radio transition.

Scott Ryckeghem, QCOMM, stated that the encryption is finished and not sure when Racom will switch over. The new director will be announced in January.

### **Healthcare Coalition Reports**

Adam Sowell, UnityPoint Health, stated that the annual HVA has been completed and has been shared with the HCC partners. Also, have added in portions of Social vulnerability Index and Empower data to the HVA. Public Health will use this to work on areas identified in the data. Hospitals continue to meet as a group as we work through the current RSV surge. There is a lot of work being done with the surge in FEMA region 7 as well. Also, had Ped's table top on November 1<sup>st</sup> and worked through our Pediatric annex with the scenario of RSV/ Flu type illness. This was good timing and good prep for what we are currently seeing. There was about 40 people that participated in the TTX. March 16 will be our Radiation TTX save the dates to come out soon. Next HCC meeting is December 6<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. There will be EMResource training to follow.

### **Other Hospital/Healthcare/Public Health Reports**

Kate Meyer, Rock Island Health Department, stated that they were waiting on the FDA to approve Bivalent to be approved for next year. Still continuing giving Booster shots for Moderna on Tuesday and Pfizer on Friday's. Also, offering flu shots still. Their office is also reevaluating Ebola plans

Tiffany Petersen, Scott County Health Department, stated that the Health Department is still offering Covid vaccines and also monkey pox. Having resource training in the next couple of weeks and also have staff going to Iowa City for training as well.

Adam Sowell, UnityPoint Health, we have finished up our annual DNV inspections and are working towards prep for next year's visit in the fall. Volumes have been steady in the ED was seen a pickup in volume after Thanksgiving. We are seeing more RSV in kids and the pediatric division has been very busy. We are starting to see more flu lately as well. For the most update information please go to our website UnityPoint. ORG

Keith Kimball stated that there will be a New Emergency Department at the Bettendorf HealthPlex in the next couple days. This facility will act as a 24 hour convenient care center.

### **EMS Reports**

Kevin Lange, Medic EMS, EMS Skills is this week, which will give them their EMS Certificate. System Standards evaluation tools to combine as a County approach instead of Individual, and will start working on it at the next EMS meeting.

### **Fire Service Reports**

Jeff Yerkey, Rock Island Fire Department, stated that the MABAS training went very well and that was a lot of great feedback after.

### **Law Enforcement/TSA/Intel Reports**

No updates.

### **Education Updates**

Jamie Temple, Eastern Iowa Community College, refresher training is online and can give books to use online.

### **Public Works/Secondary Roads Reports**

No updates.

### **Other Public/Private Sector/ COAD Reports**

No updates.

### **Other Items of Interest**

Don Hahn, 41<sup>st</sup> Iowa Civil Air Patrol, stated that the Ground School training will be at the Carver Terminal building. It will be help 8 Saturdays starting January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 8:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.

**Next Meeting Friday, January 27, 2023, at 8:30 A.M.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.