

Agenda

Quad City Emergency Planning Committee

Friday February 24, 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 January 27, 2023, 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, March 31, 2023, at 8:30 A.M.

Adjourn

Minutes of the Quad Cities Emergency Planning Committee

January 27, 2023, 8:34 A.M.

Meeting Called to order by: Decker Ploehn

Attendees: John Bray, Mackenzie Briggs, Mariah Bryner, John Christensen, Matt Desmyter, Dave Donovan, Dennis Frisch, Adam Haut, Jim Hawkes, Joe Heim, Tony Houdyshell, Dean Jordan, Darin Keith, Keith Kimball, Andy Ervin, Marion Lloyd, Al Loeffelholz, Molly McKee, Sara Meguffy, Kate Meyer, Ricky Newcomb, Patrick Newman, Travis Noyd, Brian Payne, Tiffany Peterson, Decker Ploehn, Jonathan Quast, Scott Ryckeghem, Troy Said, Jordan Schneider, Joe Sisler, and Adam Sowells.

Call to Order- Introductions

The meeting began with introductions.

Approval of Minutes of the December 2, 2022, Meeting

Linda Frederiksen motioned to approve the QCEPC December 2, 2022, meeting minutes; Keith Kimball seconded the motion. All Ayes.

Homeland Security/EMA/IMT/PIO Workshop

Brian Payne, Scott County EMA, stated that the EMA Commission approved EMA to apply for a couple of Grants. These grants include the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) for three light towers and a HSGP to help support the funding for the Preparedness Festival, also the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) grant to fund local Hazardous Materials Team leaders go to an internal conference that is out of state. The EMA Commission also approved a new GIS/Data Analyst Position that will be split between EMA and SECC.

Jim Hawkes, Scott County EMA, stated that EMA has been focusing more on training opportunities. EMA offered their first ICS 300 class In January and attendance was great. ICS 400 will be taught February 1st and 2nd, and G191 will be in early April. In March EMA will be hosting a two day All Hazards Planning course for schools. Also, EMA will be updating/writing news plans for Recovery Support Functions (RSF). The first quarter CMS Planning Committee meeting was held in January and the focus was on Active Threats. Rock Island County Sheriff's Office educated the group on Active Shooter's.

Matt Desmyter, Rock Island County EMA, stated that he attended the ICS 300 class and he learned a lot. Also, stated that RICO updated plans are due in March and that is grant season for his office. FEMA is doing Audits as well.

John Bray, Clinton County EMA, stated that they participated in the Active Shooter Incident Management (ASIM) and School Safety and Violent Event Incident Management (SSAVEIM) training. The training was put on by the Illinois Fire Service Institute. It was a joint training with the Sheriff's Office, local Law Enforcement, local Fire Departments, EMA, and all School Districts in the County. They trained in reunification centers and Incident Management.

Communications Center Updates

Dave Donovan, SECC, stated that the radio project is wrapping up and in the process of decommissioning the old equipment with the help from Racom. There are 4 people training on the Dispatch floor and should be released on their own soon. Will start recruiting again in March. Also, The SECC Board approved Cyber Security Response plan.

Scott Ryckeghem, QCOMM, stated that Terry will be retiring in April when he returns from Florida. May 1st, 2023 Scott will be taking over as the Director. Radio system is working well, one issue in Rock Island County is that sometimes people sound like they are screaming into the radio when in actual they are talking normal.

Healthcare Coalition Reports

Mackenzie Briggs, Health Care Coalition, discussed that their office is reviewing their preparedness and response plans. Also, advised that the State is currently auditing right now. There will be a table top exercise in March. She also stated that it is grant season and they are working on the budget.

Adam Sowell advised they were finishing up the audit and will be sending out save the dates for the radiation annex.

Other Hospital/Healthcare/Public Health Reports

Kate Meyer, Rock Island County Health Department, mentioned that the Medical Reserve Corp was approved.

Al Loeffelholz, Genesis Health, discussed that Iowa Health and Human Services has a new Chempack policy. Pharmacies have received the new policy. Hazard Vulnerability Assessments (HVA) will be taking place at 12 different locations over the next month. Dewitt and Clinton performed a tabletop exercise on active shooters.

Tiffany Peterson, Scott County Health Department, informed the group that the Health Department is still offering Covid and Monkey Pox vaccines. Declared Ebola is over. Working on Public Health planning and All Hazards plan.

Adam Sowell, Unity Point, stated that they are finishing up the HVA at all locations. Also, there is a table top exercise coming up on Active Violence and the save the dates will be sent out soon.

EMS Reports

Dennis Frisch, Durant Ambulance, informed the group that SE Iowa Council met with the Lieutenant Governor. Rural areas are waiting up to an hour or longer to be transported. The State average for a transport is 9.5 minutes.

Linda Frederiksen, Medic, discussed that opioid numbers are down compared to last year's numbers. Also, the next Scott County Chiefs Fire Association meeting is rescheduled and will take place on February 6th. Linda also discussed that Scott County hired a consultant group to help with the process Medic becoming a Scott County Department. The timeline to become a department could be as early as July 1st, 2023, but will most likely be January 1st, 2024.

Adam Haut, Genesis Ambulance, discussed that staffing remains to be challenging for the hospital and ambulance. Also, discussed they have partnered and working with Blackhawk College to provide hybrid first responder program courses to High Schools to get students engaged. Thankful for mutual aid partners.

Fire Service Reports

Travis Noyd, Moline Fire Department, gave kudos to all the agencies that helped and assisted with the fire at an apartment complex in Moline.

Troy Said, Bettendorf Fire Department, informed the group that Chief Robert Graff will become the new Chief for Rock Island Fire Department.

Law Enforcement/TSA/Intel Reports

Chief Kimball, Bettendorf Police Department, discussed all schools have Narcan and have a policy in place for it. Narcan is also now available for purchase.

Education Updates

No Updates.

Public Works/Secondary Roads Reports

No Updates.

Other Public/Private Sector/ COAD Reports

No Updates.

Other Items of Interest

Marion Lloyd, Rock Island Arsenal, informed the group that on February 15th on the Arsenal a full scale active shooter exercise will be take place.

Ricky Newcomb, Bi-State Regional Commission, stated that the Scott County plan has been submitted.

Andy Ervin, National Weather Service, advised that there was a snow storm coming tomorrow. Also, in February Matt Wilson will do the first outlook for flooding.

Tony Houdyshell, Canadian Pacific Railroad, stated that the QC Care Group will be having a classroom/practical, but unsure of the date and time. Also, will have a Shat training practical at the end of July.

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The meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.