

Agenda

Quad City Emergency Planning Committee

Friday March 31, 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 February 24, 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 April 28, 2023, at 8:30 A.M.

Adjourn

Minutes of the Quad Cities Emergency Planning Committee

February 24th, 2023, 8:34 A.M.

Meeting Called to order by: Decker Ploehn

Attendees: John Bray, Mackenzie Briggs, Mariah Bryner, George Carizey, John Christensen, Matt Desmyter, Dave Donovan, Owen Farrell, Dennis Frisch, Bob Graff, Don Hahn, Jim Hawkes, Joe Heim, Dean Jordan, Keith Kimball, Kevin Lange, Marion Lloyd, Al Loeffelholz, Molly McKee, Sara Meguffy, Ricky Newcomb, Patrick Newman, Brian Payne, Tiffany Peterson, Decker Ploehn, Nick Rocca, Scott Ryckeghem, Terry Smith, Adam Sowell, and Todd Whitcelo.

Call to Order- Introductions

The meeting began with introductions.

Approval of Minutes of the January 27, 2023, Meeting

Keith Kimball motioned to approve the QCEPC January 27, 2023, meeting minutes; Al Loeffelholz seconded the motion. All Ayes.

Homeland Security/EMA/IMT/PIO Workshop

Jim Hawkes, Scott County EMA, stated that the ICS 400 class that was held in February had a great turnout with positive feedback. Will be hosting the class at least once a year. Other trainings coming up will be G364: Multi-Hazard Emergency Planning in Schools, March 9th-10th, and G191: ICS EOC Interface will be April 12th. Informed the group that a Public Preparedness Fair is being planned for September.

Brian Payne, Scott County EMA, advised that EMA is keeping a close eye on Flooding this spring. There is a 50/50 chance of it flooding and could flood up to 18ft.

Matt Desmyter, Rock Island County EMA, stated that he attended the ICS 400 Class and attended the tabletop exercise at the Airport. A full scale exercise will be held at the airport in the near future. Advised that he keeping an eye on the flood levels. Hosted 1st Subcommittee meeting with the Coast Guard and brought representation of local police and fire.

John Bray, Clinton County EMA, stated that The Rescue Task Force Full Scale Exercise will be held on March 27th. Tailgates and Tall Boys will be June 8th- June 10th in Clinton, IA. They are expecting roughly 10,000 to attend.

Communications Center Updates

Dave Donovan, SECC, discussed that the radio project is winding down. Been having issues with coverage not reconnecting when transferring incoming and outgoing calls. Still working on decommissioning the old radios. Siren activation is on new consoles. 3 Dispatchers are near the end of their training and will be working on their own. SECC will be recruiting in March. A new GIS/Data Analyst position has been posted. This position will be split between SECC/EMA.

Scott Ryckeghem, QCOMM, Stated they have one person in training and 2 going through the background process. Stated that there will be a meeting with Fire about the P25 Radios to talk about issues they are having.

Healthcare Coalition Reports

Mackenzie Briggs, Health Care Coalition, stated that the Health Care Coalition is bringing the Disaster Budget to the State at next week's meeting. The Radiation exercise will be held on March 16th.

Adam Sowell, Health Care Coalition, advised that last year's audit went well. Also, informed the group that the Preparedness Response Plan process has been updated.

Other Hospital/Healthcare/Public Health Reports

Al Loeffelholz, Genesis Health, discussed the full scare exercise in Dewitt is coming up. Also, discussed that the planning meeting for the Bix will start in May. The Bix will be held at the end of July and Ragbrai will be the same weekend.

Tiffany Peterson, Scott County Health Department, informed the group that Covid Vaccines are still being given at the Health Department.

Adam Sowell, Unity Point, stated that the hospital volume is coming down and business as normal.

Sara Meguffy, Rock Island Health Department, advised that they are still offering Covid vaccines.

EMS Reports

Kevin Lange, Medic, stated that Ken Beck has been added to group. Medic met with the Scott County Board for a systems standards review. The State of Iowa gave 15 million dollar grant that will help pay for apprenticeships classes. Also, Medic has noticed an uptake for CPR. Kevin talked about the airshow that is coming back this year and will be held June 24th-25th. At the last Fire chiefs meeting a presentation was given on the "I Am Responding" App. The App will help better communicate a more direct response within Agencies to know who is responding.

Dave Donovan, SECC, discussed that Medic will be moving forward to becoming a County Department. The County has hired a consultant group and believes Medic will begin transitioning as a Department by January 1st, 2024.

Fire Service Reports

No Updates.

Law Enforcement/TSA/Intel Reports

Keith Kimball, Bettendorf Police, working with security on the I-74 Bridge, cameras, alarms, and the structure.

Education Updates

No Updates.

Public Works/Secondary Roads Reports

No Updates.

Other Public/Private Sector/ COAD Reports

No Updates.

Other Items of Interest

Don Hahn, 41st Iowa Civil Air Patrol, discussed the Air Show coming up in June. There will be 2 new flyers this year. Ground School wraps up this weekend. National wide trying to relocate communication repeaters to get better coverage nationwide.

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The meeting adjourned at 9:14 A.M.