

Minutes of the Quad Cities Emergency Planning Committee

October 27, 2023, 8:33 A.M.

Meeting Called to order by: Decker Ploehn

Attendees: Paul Andorf, Mackenzie Briggs, Mariah Bryner, Dennis Frisch, Chuck Gipson, Don Hahn, Jim Hawkes, Keith Kimball, Kevin Lange, Al Loeffelholz, Molly McKee, Kate Meyer, Brian Payne, Tiffany Peterson, Decker Ploehn, Tracey Screechfield, Eli Soliz, John Stephens, Tera Weets, Todd Whitchelo, and Henry Bocke

Call to Order- Introductions

The meeting began with introductions.

Approval of Minutes of the September 29, 2023, Meeting

Chuck Gibson motioned to approve the QCEPC September 29, 2023, meeting minutes; Brian Payne seconded the motion. All Ayes.

Homeland Security/EMA/IMT/PIO Workshop

Jim Hawkes, Scott County EMA, reported on upcoming trainings. November 13th and 14th EMA will be hosting and HSEEP course. Also, November 30th EMA will be hosting a NIMS course for elected and appointed officials. ICS 300,400, and 191 courses will start sometime after the beginning of the year.

Brian Payne, Scott County EMA, reported that EMA met with Congregational Staffers to get questions answered about support that was requested by EMA and denied by FEMA. Also, CPKC informed EMA that The Army Corps of Engineers received funding to put signage up to keep barges from pushing up to shore.

Communications Center Updates

Tracey Screechfield, SECC, reported that only 2 of the 3 Dispatchers showed up for training. SECC is down 9 Dispatchers and have 5 in training.

Healthcare Coalition Reports

Mackenzie Briggs, Service Area 5 Coalition, reported that next week is the 1st bi-annual workshop on the vulnerable population. Their next meeting is on November 7th and will discuss Chempack and Trauma informed care. There will also be a Chemical Surge Annex on March 5th, which will be a virtual tabletop exercise. Received funding for Stop the Bleed kits for schools.

Adam Sowell, Region 5 HPP, reported that hospitals have been planning for the Flu/ COVID and RSV season and will meet every other week throughout the season. The region hosted a Candida Auris (C.auris) workshop in Washington last night that was well attended. This is a newly emerging micro resistant Infection. Also, working on this year's grant required Chemical Annex. Tabletop is scheduled early March. HVA has been completed and awaiting SVI data or finalization.

Other Public/Private Sector/ COAD Reports

No report.

Civil Air Patrol, Bi-State, and Canadian Pacific Kansas City

Don Hahn, Civil Air Patrol, reported that they will be taking photos of rail beds for CPKC. Also, November 11th there is a state-wide community exercise.

Other Items of Interest

Henry Bocke, U.S, Coast Guard, reported that the event at Schwiebert Park was a success.

Next Meeting Friday, December 1, at 8:30 A.M.

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 AM