

November 10th, 2021 – 1300 Hours
Kearney (Buffalo County)
South Central PET Region
Minutes

Present: Brian Woldt, Jill Harvey, Justin Norris, Ron Pughes, Craig Lupkes, Brandon Myers, Jon Rosenlund, Kirt Smith, Dawna Whitcomb, Joanna Le Moine, Roger Powell, Darrin Lewis, Nick Elledge, Sheriff Miller

Zoom: Logan Lueking

- 1) Call to Order
 - a. Brian called the meeting to order at 13:00.
- 2) Review and approve the agenda
 - a. Kirt moved to approve the agenda. Jon seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- 3) Review and approve the minutes from the previous meeting
 - a. Kirt moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as corrected. Brandon seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- 4) NEMA Report –
 - a. Logan thanked the group for allowing virtual options. He also thanked those who attended the IEPW yesterday. They hope to have this back in person next year, but they were still able to get good input from everyone. He also thanked everyone who has been working on BOLD Planning. If you need any assistance as you are entering information, let him know. NEMA has updated their website and he suggests checking it out when you have a chance. It is aimed to be a bit more towards the public, and they have updated different maps and information on the site. It is still a work in progress, but they are feeling that this is going in the right direction.
 - b. He mentioned that Julie will be out for a couple of months with back surgery. Tanya Lyon will be the point of contact for financial issues while she is out.
- 5) SC LEG Update – Sheriff Miller
 - a. Sheriff Miller passed out a couple of quotes to look at. Grayshift is a tool for the digital crime investigators to extract information from cell phones. It is a yearly subscription. Cost of \$18,000.
 - b. Transcend Robot is the next quote. There will be three of these robots when they are done. Grand Island received the first one, and they will be shared throughout the region. This robot will go to Kearney and is for \$30,300. The amount on the grant is \$30,500, so this is below their work plan amount.
 - c. Police Intel is the third request, which they have had before. They are adding 50 licenses, 40 of which are going to North Platte PD who had not been on there before.

The total cost will be \$8,000 which is what was on the grant. He doesn't have the invoice for this yet, but will provide it when he has it.

- d. PenLink Live Social Media package is the next item, requested at \$16,000 from the 2019 grant.
- e. They are working on doing the training on the AI Software. There has been a debate on the privacy issues on this. They are making sure that they have a solid policy on this as they move forward. Those who will use it will have to sign an agreement, and will be a handful of people or less and on the Investigator Team, etc. They will provide the request for this when they are ready for it.
- f. Jon moved to approve Grayshift, Transcend Robot, Police Intel, and PenLink for payment. Justin asked if we could set up a demonstration on the robot. Nick seconded the motion. Motion passed.

6) ARC Update – Marion McDermott

- a. No one present at this meeting. Joanna found an email from Marion after the meeting stating she had a head cold and would provide a Red Cross update later in the week and apologizing for not being able to make it to the meeting.

7) Old Business

a. 2018 Grant – Update

- i. Some money was spent on the training line for the Logistics Section Chief class. NRIN is lower than on the sheet as she just got 2 invoices that are going through this claim period and it is down to \$20,015.34. The only things left are Citizen Corps – with \$3,000 needing to go to an exercise. The grant was extended to August, so we should be alright in getting everything spent.
- ii. Totals remaining in this grant are Citizen Corps \$4,443.34 (\$3,000 for exercise as mentioned above); System Credentialing \$20; Training \$22.79; NRIN Board \$29,543.80.
- iii. CERT Tourniquets Request
 - 1. There is a request for tourniquets consisting of 10 packs for \$50 each. These would be available for the different CERT Teams, and they can also be distributed out. Jon would like to get at least 150 tourniquets, for a total of \$1,400. Darrin mentioned these for the EM's as well. This was mentioned at the original discussion of this, it was one for each EM, and the other 30 for the CERT Teams. Darrin moved to approve the request. Kirt seconded the motion. Motion passed.

b. 2019 Grant – Update

- i. This grant is also coming due at the end of August 2022. Dawna mentioned that completing in June would be better so that nothing is rolled over into the next fiscal year, if it is possible to use by then. The CERT line was set up the same as previous grant year with \$3,000 for an exercise. Jon asked if the money might be able to be used to get volunteers to the exercise by paying for their travel. He wonders if we could plan a big CERT Rodeo end of May, beginning of June of next year. Darrin mentioned keeping it as Citizen Corps and not just CERT, to

include MRC and other volunteer organizations. Dawna will discuss with Julie to find out exactly what would be covered for travel purposes. Jon thinks the CERT Teams and Dawna should get together to plan the exercise event for this.

- ii. Totals remaining in this grant are LEG-JTAG Chipoff Training \$2,761.12; BeReadyNebraska \$4.62; CERT Training \$11,000; CNMRC Resources for Vulnerable Populations \$13,000; IMT Training \$40,369.29; LEG-Magnet Axiom Training \$804.20; LEG-Mobile Device Investigation Program Training \$10,000; NRIN Governance Board \$261,299.21; LEG-Pen-Link Live Intercept Social Media Package \$16,000; LEG-Police Intel Information & Intelligence Sharing Software \$2,277.00; Salamander Credentialing \$9,000; LEG-Terrorism Awareness Course \$8,750.00.
- iii. CNMRC Request
 - 1. Request for \$12,000 in equipment and \$1,000 for training per 2019 Work Plan. Kirt moved to approve this request. Jon seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- c. 2020 Grant – Update
 - i. Nothing new spent on this since last meeting.
 - ii. Totals remaining for this grant are CERT \$14,000; LEG-Cellebrite Tool training \$3,228.75; LEG-Magnet Axiom Tool \$1,155.40; LEG-Faraday Kits \$624.00; Credentialing \$24,634.12; BeReady Nebraska \$1,598.00; Training \$84,000; LEG-Clearview AI facial Recognition Tool \$6,000; LEG-Basic Digital Forensic Analysis Training \$7,200; LEG-Intermediate Digital Forensic Analysis Training \$7,200; NRIN Governance Board \$312,000.00.
- d. 2021 Grant – Update
 - i. Dawna stated that the 2021 grant has now been added and is ready to spend. LEG Projects were not broken out this grant year. Brian mentioned to note that the Public Policy Center is an MOU amount, it is not money for us to use. It was asked what the Public Policy Center is doing at this time. Logan thinks the project is working with Public Health Departments because people who have seen acts of violence, they would be more likely to talk to the Health Department and not Law Enforcement. So they are working on training and other things with the Health Departments to be able to address these issues and provide more resources to help prevent more tragedies from religious and political violence.
 - ii. Totals remaining on this grant year are BeReady Nebraska \$21,000; CERT 17,040.50; Communications – NRIN Webster Tower \$67,131.00; Credentialing \$22,500.00; LEG-All Projects \$100,000; NRIN Governance Board \$312,000; Training \$42,000.
- e. Other Financial – Dues, etc.
 - i. Dawna paid items for the Elected/Appointed Officials Workshop, supplies & meals totaling \$1,209.09. The Dues balance is now \$11,895.34.
- f. Training Calendar – Jill
 - i. Trainings update/discuss dates

1. Jill mentioned that the LSC Course was completed in Grand Island. She is rescheduling the Supply Unit Leader to next February. There are currently 9 signed up for Situation Leader in North Platte, so there are spaces still open for it if anyone is interested. The ICS-300/400 classes in North Platte are full. The PIO courses have been combined, and Jill is working with Jodie to get that class out here. She has been working on getting the FSC, and did finally get an email today for an instructor from South Dakota coming out. She mentioned possibly having another ICS-300/400 as well, possibly back in North Platte, depending on being able to schedule an instructor.
 2. Nick moved to approve all training requests as presented (see below). Kirt seconded the motion. Motion passed.
 3. Jill will also be working with other regions on classes that they are hosting in duplication.
- ii. ICS-300 in GI
 1. Scheduled for January 18-20 in Grand Island. Requested amount is \$2,426.00. This will be from the 2019 grant.
 - iii. ICS-400 in GI
 1. Scheduled for February 3-4 in Grand Island. Requested amount is \$1,784.00. This will be from the 2019 grant.
 - iv. L967 Logistics Section Chief in GI
 1. Scheduled for March 28-April 1 in Grand Island. This will be held before the end of June of 2022 to complete the 2019 grant. Requested amount is \$5,500.00.
 - v. G191 in GI
 1. Scheduled for March 3 in Grand Island. This is also being held before the end of June of 2022. This will come out of either the 2019 or the 2020 grant based on funds availability. Requested amount is \$600.00.
 - vi. L962 Planning Section Chief
 1. Date is TBD at this time but looking at May of 2022. Jill is still waiting on final quotes from The Blue Cell, but would like to get this approved so that she can move forward as soon as she hears from them. She will bring any changes back to the PET as needed. Requested amount is \$6,000.00.
 - vii. G393 Mitigation for EM
 1. Scheduled for April 12-14 in Grand Island. NEMA is coming out for this one. Requested amount is \$2,000.00.
 - viii. L984 Task Force/Strike Team Leader
 1. Looking to hold in the spring of 2022 in Hastings. This course was requested by the Hastings Fire Department. This will be on the 2022 calendar but once they have the approval, they would like to be able to move on it as they are looking at a date in March. Requested amount is \$5,925.00.
 - ix. L969 COML in Kearney

1. Date is currently TBD, looking at February/March in Kearney. This was originally approved in April 2021 for \$2,050.00. Jill increased the requested amount to \$2,168.00 to cover 2 instructors just in case. As this was previously approved, this would be a 2019 grant year item.
- x. G205 Recovery from Disaster in Kearney
 1. Scheduled February 23-24 in Kearney. This was originally approved in April 2021. Jill adjusted the class size for this class, and the new requested amount is \$1,134.00.
- g. Be Ready Nebraska – Darrin & Jon
 - i. Darrin's request to get updated links as well as anything to add, fix or remove from the website.
 1. Slowly gathering information for the website. Please continue to get the information filled out in the Get Local sheet and get it to Darrin as soon as possible. Jill asked if the website was accessible to all, including disabled persons. Jill thinks that it would help to have the BeReady Nebraska website up on a computer at the NACO Conference. Jon thinks that we should not be as specific on the website because of how things can change. He thinks that if we had the find local EM linked to NEMA's EM list, it would help keep the website easier to maintain and just have a lot of simple preparedness information.
- h. South Central All Hazards Response Team – Darrin
 - i. Darrin & Jon have emailed some on this. Darrin is all in favor of changing the document to what we think it should look like. When it was written, it was designed not as an IMT, since the state didn't want us to have an IMT at the regional level. The document was then written to use ERT – Emergency Response Team as the main focus instead. Jon has made a number of good suggestions for this document. Darrin thinks Jon should work on doing the rework on this document, and create a planning team that will be able to help with this. Once the document is written, this document will have to be sent out to the group. There will always be someone who thinks something will be better. Those approving this need to be knowledgeable in NIMS. Jon feels that if there is going to be a team, that they should sit together and hash out the document. Jon wants to figure out who wants to be on the IMT, and they can rework the document as they will be the ones that will be governed by it. Jill did finally get the list from Dave on who has taken IMT Specific courses, but there are a few missing. Brian is wondering if we can meet early or at a Confab (Jon will make an Agenda) so that we could discuss this. Darrin thinks possibly at the February Confab. Others agreed to that time. If that doesn't work, early at the March meeting.

8) NPSCC Update

- a. NRIN – Jon
 - i. Jon said that NRIN is busy in the Northeast region with the regional telephone system. The Wahoo tower is the worst. At the Silver Lake tower just outside our

region, everything had to come down so it could be painted and then put back up. The Harlan tower is in the 2021 Grant year. Nick's tower will be the last large piece of the segment in the SCPET Region, and he will have his IJ in there this year for the 2022 grant. A lot will depend on what Sue gets for NRIN in the grant. NRIN has a contract with Blue Ally to do more router work, and there are issues to be resolved on this contract. Jon mentioned we need to start getting users and data on the system.

9) New Business

a. SCPETR By-laws Update – Vote

- i. Brian typed up the By-Laws with the changes that were discussed at the September meeting. This was then sent out for everyone to review again. Kirt moved to approve the By-Laws as amended. Jon seconded the motion. Motion passed. Brian will get this signed and then have a copy sent out to everyone.

b. IJ Discussions

- i. Jon mentioned that some of these will be rewritten a little. CERT to Citizen Corps for the same amount, unless they have something specific and they can be added together. LEG will need to get their IJ's ready for this next grant year. There will be a Training IJ, Citizen Corps/CERT/MRC, NRIN Tower in Nuckolls, LEG IJ's, NRIN Board, BeReady Nebraska (adding access/functional needs accessibility), Credentialing (Nuckolls/Phelps/Kearney/Dawson Rapid Tag; Buffalo 2 laptops for Rapid Tag/Command/Adams laptop for Command). Brandon mentioned that NP/Lincoln Co IT has talked to Julie about the CyberSecurity Grant. So they want to put in an IJ for this grant to update the whole city/county system, which all of the Law Enforcement is on. They want to go with Sentinel One, which will cover everything their software does now, but will also disconnect/separate a computer before a virus can spread through the whole system. Jon thinks we should put it in there, and see what happens. There was discussion about if this goes through every county here would want to do this. There are also questions about sustainment of this security. Justin mentioned that the state is working on a deal to get 2 new computers and have everything fully paid for the next 3 years. The state is sending out encrypted emails to our clerks for voting, which gets into the computers, and then into the whole courthouse system. Jon feels we should let the Cyber Security SME Group decide on it. Joanna/Brandon will clean up and send the digital IJ Form for the Cyber Security to Jon. Jon wants all IJ's by December 1st end of business day. Logan said he talked to Julie and she will have the new IJ Forms out the first week of December.

c. Track Apps Discussion

- i. Dawna has the sheet that Darrin handed out showing all of the Track apps on the Region's account. She mentioned that Adams Co could probably cut one, Jon mentioned Hall Co could be cut down some. She can send a copy of this out to everyone, and will need to know which ones to cut. We have 30 apps and the price has increased to \$100 per app. Brian believes that we should put all

counties on notice that we will not pay for Track Apps next year, and that if they want to continue them, to make sure it is in their own budgets to take care of.

- d. New EMPG Guidance Discussion
 - i. Dawna put this in, and thought that since the new EMPG format for the quarterly reports is more regional, that we should probably start looking to do more as a region instead of just at the county level. Jon mentioned that this is because FEMA wants to make sure the state is making progress, and that as long as some areas are getting things done, not everyone has to have all of it. With the variety, it would then hopefully fulfill everything on the state's list. Joanna will add this on to the January agenda to have a discussion on the quarterly report for any regional topics.
- e. Meeting Locations for 2022
 - i. There was discussion on the locations for our meetings in 2022. Joanna filled out the sheet and will send that to everyone with the minutes.
- f. Annual Officer's Election
 - i. Nick nominates for all positions to remain as they are. Brian as Chair, Kirt as Vice-Chair, and Joanna as Secretary. Jon seconded the motion. Motion passed.
 - ii. Chairman
 - iii. Vice-Chair
 - iv. Secretary

10) Good of the Group

- a. Dawna mentioned that the AHIMTA will need a request for the January meeting for sending people to this event in February. Jon asked if it was in a current workplan. Jill believes so and therefore we would be able to do a request through a grant. If not, it could go through dues. If we send people to this conference, we may have to move March meeting by a week.

11) Adjournment

- a. Kirt moved to adjourn the meeting. Jon seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned 15:09.