



The Cass County EMAC met at 7pm, at the offices of the Cass County Emergency Management Agency, 1227 N SR 17, Logansport, Indiana.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Sherriff Schroder.

Board Members Present: Mike Deitrich, Jeff Smith, Dan McDonald, Tracy Williamson, Gary Chambers, Tim Minnick, Ed Schroder, and Rick Lee.

EMA Personnel Present: Rocky Buffum, Felicity Perez-Nuscis

i. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES-**

The Minutes of the March 2023 meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by G.Chambers, and seconded by D.McDonald. Motion carries with all in favor, and none opposed.

ii. **DIRECTORS REPORTS-**

A. Indiana Department of Homeland Security/District Four Updates

IDHS Liaison Amy Bloom met with this us morning to go over the state's county readiness assessment. We have met 85% of the goals laid out in this plan up to this point.

B. Grants & Billing

No billable runs yet in 2023. Continuing to collect on HAZMAT Billing and state grants from 2022. We did receive COVID PA Grant monies, and those are in a separate fund. Non-reverting balance increased since last month, we have not yet paid for July propane training which will be a significant chunk

C. Training & Exercise Activity

Most training hours in a single month 650.25-man (and woman) hours of training and exercise. HAZMAT Technician Course substantively completed. They take their written test tomorrow. Multiple offerings of Indiana Integrated Public Safety Commission Radio Course Local Emergency Planning Committee Exercise complete with After Action Report/Improvement Plan Meeting this Friday, 10am at EMA. 19 participants for tabletop exercise and 26 for functional.



iii. **OLD BUSINESS-**

A. Backup 911 Communications Center Project

No work is currently being done as the county prepares to move from the VHF system to the statewide 800 system.

B. County Fire Radio Project

ERS has possession of all the 800-radio equipment for the county. We received a group of "test" radios to utilize during our functional exercise last night. Radios worked well inside the building. A few minor programming errors were found that will be addressed. End of March is still looking realistic for delivery of radios and pagers to the county.

C. Warning Siren Maintenance

Siren Annual Preventative Maintenance is done. First test should be able to be conducted this Saturday.

D. Any Other Old Business to Discuss

No further old business was brought fourth

iv. **NEW BUSINESS-**

A. Storm Ready Certification

Cass County has completed requirements to be a Storm Ready Community. This has been a month's long process which included development and review of plans, site visits and other activities. Presentation is scheduled to be held in Bicentennial Room, Court House, 10am March 16. This is during Severe Weather Preparedness Week.

B. Any Other Old Business- none

v. **CLAIMS REVIEW-**

Claims approved on motion made by R.Lee and seconded by G.Chambers
Motion carries with all in favor, and none opposed.



- vi. **BOARD QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**
None brought fourth
- vii. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**
None brought fourth
- viii. **NEXT MEETING-** April 5th , 2023, 7pm
- ix. **Adjournment-**
Motion by R.Lee and seconded by G. Chambers meeting adjourned 7:17pm

Respectfully Submitted

Felicity Perez-Nuscis