

March 30, 2016

The Weston County LEPC met at the Newcastle Fire Hall on March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Don Steveson.

There were no corrections to the January minutes. John Strong made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Mike Davies seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Scott Rager talked about the Emergency Siren repair, the old pole is out and hopefully the siren will be up and running next week. Donnie Stevens stated that he had gone by the new location and said he thought it was going to be a good location. We now have another Emergency Siren not working and Scott is going to go on March 31<sup>st</sup> at noon to check it out and will keep us updated on what is needed to repair it.

Scott Rager talked about the update on WYO Link radios, he stated that he had spoken with Dick Klinker and there are two consoles at Advanced Communications one for Fire and one for Dispatch. Scott is waiting to get the Sheriff, Chief, and Melissa together for a meeting to see what software updates are going to be needed for the CIS CAD system in dispatch. Donnie asked that Scott keep everyone updated on the progress.

Scott is working on upgrading an old radio in the Sheriff's Office to go into the patrol room so they can monitor WYO Link from there and from Dispatch. Talked about the user fee for WYO Link, at this time there is not one but they are still talking about implementing one and it could be an estimated \$6 per radio. Donnie stated that none of the WYO Link bills are going thru. Hopefully by the end of April we will have the ability to communicate on WYO Link at least in Dispatch. Scott will keep everyone updated on this as well.

Also the IPAWS got approved for Code Red Scott needs to get a testing license and hopes to have this by the end of April.

HMEP Grant changes were discussed, we need to sit down and do 3 yr plan we have been given extra time to do this. The grant is now in 3 phases. You can only use the grant for training no longer for equipment. Donnie asked if the LEPC wanted to apply for this grant this year as we only have about 20 days to get it ready, or do we want to wait and work on it for the next 3 yr grant. John Strong suggested we wait. Tom Rothluetner asked where the match money was going to come from and it was suggested that maybe the Refinery could help with the match.

Scott is to call Rick and ask if we will be locked out of the Grant for 3 years if we do not apply this year, questions about the match money, and if the current accounting system will work for this Grant. Scott will notify everyone by email about what he finds out. It was discussed that if we are locked out for the next 3 years we will probably apply this year.

Donnie talked about needing a Vice chair for the LEPC and asked that there be nominations for the next meeting. Also need to vote on the Chair for the next 3 years. Becky will be sending out emails for nominations for both.

Next meeting will be April 27<sup>th</sup> at the Newcastle Fire Hall at 7pm.

John Strong motioned to adjourn and Randy Bury seconded the motion. Motion carried meeting adjourned at 825 pm