

April 27, 2016

The Weston County LEPC met at the Newcastle Fire Hall on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Don Steveson.

There was one correction to the March minutes. Melissa Stubbs made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction. Lynn Busskohl seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Don asked if there was an update on the siren that has been down since August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Scott Rager was not at the meeting, but Becky Hadlock said that it still is not up. She said that it is very important that we get this back up, especially with severe weather season starting. Scott had told her that the hold up was because of Black Hills Power. Don said that we couldn't wait anymore and he would be contacting BHP about getting this taken care of. The siren in Hillsvew Heights is not working either. Scott was notified at the end of March about this, from Dispatch, but it too is still not fixed. Melissa said that she would contact the proper company to see if they could work on getting it fixed. Don asked to please cc the County Commissioners, so that they are aware that this still isn't fixed and hopefully they can help us get it taken care of.

It seems that a lot of the information, which is passed on to the Homeland Security Office, is not getting taken care of. Melissa and Becky would like to have Becky added to the notice list, so that maybe this would help the situation. Becky said that she had sent an e-mail to Jim Owens, asking to be added.

The Hazardous Vulnerability Assessment was discussed. Don asked Randy Bury where we were on this and if he needed anything more from the LEPC. Randy said that he was able to complete the assessment and it has been submitted to the State.

The SERC meeting, that had been postponed, will be held in Thermopolis on May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Don wanted to pass this information along in case anyone wanted to attend.

We were able to get the HMEP Grant submitted to Rick Lopez. Don said that Rick would be submitting everything this week and hopefully we will find out soon if we were approved for our portion. Melissa asked if there were going to be any matches with this and Don said that we were going to include the Refinery in the trainings and because of this, he felt he would be able to take care of any matches. He said that those participating, could keep track of wages, etc. and that could be used as part of the soft match.

#### New Business:

We nominated and voted for our LEPC Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Anna Blackford and Scott Beachler were nominated for the Vice-Chairman position. The members voted and Anna is the new Vice-Chairman. There was one nomination for Chairman, Don Steveson will continue to hold this position.

Don asked if the fireman were aware of the changes/updates to I am responding. A discussion began on which fire departments currently are using this and how beneficial it is. Daniel, Donny Munger and John Strong talked about how this currently is helping the Fire Departments and they hoped that it would be tied in with Dispatch soon. John said that he has talked to and sent e-mails to Greg Locke, but still had not heard back. Daniel explained that there would not be no additional costs for this and the only thing that they are needing to know is if our current CIS CAD system can send e-mails and what the outbound address is. This would really help the dispatchers by eliminate a lot of added radio traffic. Melissa said that she would talk with Greg and that it would help if we could set up a demonstration with Jim. Anna said that when she worked for Campbell County, the Fire Departments, EMS & Law Enforcement all used this program.

Next meeting will be May 25<sup>th</sup> at the Newcastle Fire Hall at 7pm.

Lynn made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Donny seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.

Members in attendance:

Becky Hadlock	WCHLS
Melissa Stubbs	Newcastle PD
Anna Blackford	Newcastle PD
Scott Beachler	WC Search and Rescue
Lynn Busskohl	WC Search and Rescue
Randy Bury	Public Health
John Strong	Upton Fire Department
Tom Rothleutner	Upton Fire Department
Daniel Tysdal	WC Fire Protection District
John Orban	WC Fire Protection District
Mike Davies	WC Fire Protection District
Donny Munger	Newcastle Vol. Fire Department

Don Steveson

LEPC Chairman, NVFD