

JANUARY 12, 2011
EMCC Minutes

Co-Chair: Carolyn Levering, Emergency Manager City of Las Vegas

Terry Bohl-Present
Joe Curtis- Absent
Mike Cyphers- Present
Pat Jim- Absent
Stacey Giomi- Absent
Aaron Kenneston- Present
Dan Lake- Present
Carolyn Levering- Present
Sandy Munns- Present
Irene Navis- Present
Craig Nixon- Present
Jeffrey Page- Absent
Russell Peacock- Present

It was determined a quorum was present.

Carolyn Levering entertained a motion to approve minutes from September 2010 EMCC meeting. Motion made by Mike Cyphers, seconded by Russ Peacock. Motion passed.

Kelly Baratti gave an update on NIMS/Credentialing. Credentialing system is being worked on from a “beta tester” point of view in Lyon County and Carson City. Work is also underway on a “users guide”. Scheduled to update the Nevada Commission on Homeland Security at their meeting February 1, 2011.

Pete Reinschmidt gave an update on the National Incident Management System Compliance. Nevada’s NIMS compliance stands at about 77%. Credentialing is a major component of NIMS non-compliance in Nevada. State is also working with local governments on Resource Management component. September 30 is the annual deadline for local jurisdictions to have NIMScast done. We are required every year to do a NIMS audit.

Bud Marshall gave an update on Resource Management project. 16 counties, 7 tribes and 3 state agencies have conducted “kick off meetings”. The majority of those jurisdictions have begun typing and entering their resources.

Pete Reinschmidt added that the state will provide funding to local jurisdictions for temporary staff to input resource data. A national NIMS conference will be held in May to discuss new NIMS objectives.

Paul Burke gave an update on training and exercises. Carolyn Levering discussed the feasibility of merging the Training and Exercise calendar into the WEBeoc calendar as a way to encourage use of WEBeoc. Irene Navis thanked Paul Burke for working on HSEEP training in Clark County.

Pete Reinschmidt gave an update on the FY2011 Homeland Security Working Group (HSWG) process and delays. State of Nevada is still waiting on grant guidance from the federal government. Mike Cyphers suggested holding a HSWG meeting, even though the grant guidance is not released, in an effort to get a head start on the process. Irene Navis said an HSWG meeting was planned in March 2011 for that purpose. Mike Cyphers suggested putting discussion of HSWG Investment Justifications as a recurring agenda item on future EMCC agendas.

Kelly Baratti gave an update on the partial activation on New Year's Eve. State EOC was partially activated from 6PM New Year's Eve until 2AM on January 1, 2011. Terry Bohl asked about the Nevada Energy plant accident on New Year's Eve. Irene Navis noted that Nevada Energy and the Clark County Fire Department did not notify the County EOC or tribal authorities about the incident.

Irene Navis gave an update on the Clark County Emergency Declaration of December 21, 2010. Northeast county flooding and heavy snow/power outages on Mt. Charleston caused the emergency declaration. The Clark County EOC was activated. There was excellent multi-jurisdictional cooperation. Irene Navis said follow up was necessary on damage assessments and coordination with other jurisdictions on damage assessments. We also need to follow up with flood plan exercises with Public Works. She suggested planning and exercises on a regional basis, rather than just with Clark County.

Pete Reinschmidt asked the Chair if it would be appropriate to have the PDA system, the NEMAC agreement and the emergency declaration process added to the next EMCC agenda.

Carolyn Levering asked for an agenda item on the next EMCC meeting about the status of a REVISED VERSION OF NEMAC. Carolyn Levering asked Pete Reinschmidt to provide EMCC members with a "tracked-changes" version of the REVISED VERSION OF NEMAC.

Carolyn Levering agreed with Bud Marshall's suggestion to include information or sessions on NEMAC, PDAs and emergency declarations during the next Directors Conference.

Carolyn Levering suggested that we need to formalize agreements (MOUs) for the Incident Management Team and document activation/demobilization of IMT.

Aaron Kenneston discussed the items the legislature will be considering that involve emergency management.

Irene Navis agreed to provide Clark County's legislation tracking information on Emergency Management issues to Lawanda for distribution to any EMCC members who request it. Pending legislation involving Emergency Management issues will be a recurring agenda item on the EMCC agenda.

Aaron Kenneston gave an update on the HSGP SPARTAN. Plan now being taken to 17 school districts for training and deployment of the plan. Will conduct two more task force meetings during that same time period. Intent is to end the grant cycle in May/June time frame. Aaron Kenneston also discussed the COOP/COG projects. He stated that the projects will be brought to 6 counties this year, 6 counties next year and 5 counties with an overall state plan the final year.

There was a discussion among EMCC members about emergency management workshops for elected officials. IAEM and city and county associations have good training programs.

Mike Cyphers noted that we have not had a director's conference in several years. Mike Cyphers noted that it would be good to schedule director's conferences in coordination with NACO in odd numbered years and the Nevada League of Cities in even numbered years. Several members agreed. Aaron Kenneston made a motion to recommend the Chief of NDEM to schedule director's conferences in coordination with NACO in odd numbered years and the Nevada League of Cities in even numbered years. Mike Cyphers seconded. Mike Cyphers asked that NDEM find out when and where the NACO conference is in 2011 and bring that information to the next EMCC meeting. Pete Reinschmidt agreed to take these matters to the Chief of NDEM. The motion carried.

Aaron Kenneston encouraged all members and DEM to focus on planning, rather than funding, when it comes to EMPG and HSWG funds.

Pete Reinschmidt told the council that the State is working on a work plan for EMPG for the state.

Bud Marshall told the council that work plans can be sent to EMCC members, including a planning cycle.

March 9, 2011 9AM, next meeting.

Adjournment.