## **Emergency Management Agency Meeting Minutes**

Present: Gaylord Schelling, CC BOS; Randy Baxter, Marne; Jackson Bissell, Massena; Virginia Coughlin, Cumberland; Tom Harris, Anita; Darby McLaren, CCSO; Chris Jimerson, Atlantic; Ford Lillard, Wiota and Mike Kennon, CC EMA.

Absent: Ryan Askeland, Griswold; Ryan Archibald, Lewis

Gaylord Schelling: Meeting called to order at 6:37 PM.

Tom Harris: Motion to approve the agenda. Chris Jimerson: Second. Carried unanimously.

## **Public Hearing**

Gaylord Schelling called the Public Hearing to order @ 6:38 PM. Mike Kennon stated that the County Contribution stayed at \$75000. He also pointed out that the EMA fund is a carryover fund, so he concentrates sustaining and building the fund balance year-after-year.

No further discussion.

Tom Harris: Motion to close Public Meeting. Ford Lillard: Second. Carried Unanimously.

Tom Harris: Motion to approve the Cass County Emergency Management Budget FYE 2019 as published in the 1-18-2018 edition of the Atlantic News-Telegraph. Chris Jimerson: Second. Carried Unanimously.

## **Election of Officers**

Tom Harris: Motion to keep Gaylord Schelling as EMA Board Chair, Darby McLaren as Vice Chair and Mike Kennon as Recording Secretary. Ford Lillard: Second. No further nominations or discussion. Carried Unanimously.

Ford Lillard: Motion to approve minutes of 11-30-2017 EMA Board meeting. Chris Jimerson: Second. Carried unanimously.

Tom Harris: Motion to approve October, November, December expenses. Jackson Bissell: Second. Carried unanimously.

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#### Old Business

Mike Kennon stated there had been no more action taken on the large HSEM portable generator stored at the Atlantic Fire Station. Kennon has also not received anything further about the generator from the Atlantic State Radio site. We will take possession of that generator when we get permission to retrieve it.

#### New Business

None.

# **Coordinator's Report**

Mike Kennon reported Emergency Management was working on a couple of county-wide projects. He is partnering with County Fire and EMS to acquire Triage Supplies for a possible mass casualty event. He is also working with Cass Co Public Health to tourniquets and other Stop-the-Bleed supplies into every fire truck and ambulance in Cass County.

Kennon encouraged Board members to attend Iowa Pipeline Training which will be held in Atlantic on 2-20-2018. He also said that there will be NWS Storm Spotter Training in surrounding counties, but not in Cass County this spring. NWS only offers this program every other year per county.

Finally, Kennon talked about a new Statewide Radio System for Emergency Response Communications. Some neighboring counties have committed to doing what is necessary to get onto the new radio system ASAP. Cass County has taken the position that we will wait and see for the time being. Kennon said that we recently had a site visit from a company that will give us some recommendations for how we might prepare for the eventual move to the Statewide System. The State put out a memo today to encouraged Counties to come up with a plan for how to get their Dispatch Centers onto the Statewide System.

No public comments or concerns.

Jackson Bissell: Motion to adjourn. Randy Baxter: Second.

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