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## April 28, 2021 at 7:00 PM - Johnson County EMA Commission Meeting Minutes

- 1. Opened the meeting and determined the quorum exceeded <u>7 Elected Commissioner Members</u>, (8) participated.
- 2. Roll call by sign in sheet and introductions of any new Commission members Present on the phone were, Chairperson Tim Kemp – Mayor of Hills, Vice Chair Louise From – Mayor of University Heights, John Thomas – City Council for Iowa City, Brad Kunkel – Sheriff, Orey Schwitzer – Fire Chief/Alternate of Coralville, Terry Donahue – Mayor of North Liberty, Chris Taylor – Mayor of Swisher, Eric Schnedler – Councilperson/Alternate for Tiffin, Director Dave Wilson, Deputy EMA Director Travis Beckman. Meeting opened at 7:02 PM
- 3. Action on consensus items:
  - A. Motion to amend or accept the present agenda
  - B. Motion to amend or accept the meeting minutes from the last meeting
  - C. Action on the current financial report
    - Motion by Terry Donahue, John Thomas, All ayes
- 4. Comments or topics from the public: Took 3 citizen complaints for out of sequence testing on Outdoor Warning Sirens. Dave explained the many methods we disseminated that information before hand to the public.
- 5. Topics from the Commission: None
- 6. HAZMAT Team Report:
  - Please see Deputy Director's Report
- 7. Deputy Director Report:
  - HAZMAT
    - o Returned to in-person (social distance in effect) training in February
    - o April training Magellan Pipeline
    - o Call for service 1, Cedar County, Unknown Spiller
    - o LEPC meeting likely in June and will be in-person
  - ARES
    - o Team lead position filled, communicating with the group on training opportunities, etc.
    - o Meetings to resume soon
  - CERT
    - o Assisting with the Johnson County Fair Grounds COVID vaccine clinic this Thursday
    - o Team meetings will hopefully resume soon
  - REP Program
    - o Equipment Calibration completed by HSEMD
    - o Meeting held on 4/22/2021. Zirconium fire window for June 10 was approved. Our response obligation for DAEC to end that day.
  - Healthcare Coalition (Service Area 5)
    - o Approved request for upgrade of Johnson County EMA Salamander equipment, and laptop/tablet laptop has been ordered. Tablet has been received.
  - COVID19
    - Working on the final claim submission that is due in on May 15<sup>th</sup>

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- o LTC weekly calls continue monthly to discuss needs, best practices, etc.
- o Working logistics as we work to clear our storage area at the fairgrounds
- Long Term Recovery Committee continues to meet monthly with Patti and United Way leading that.
- Training completed sUAS class on 4/12
- Worked Rapid Tag for EMS Saturday on 3/27
- Attended NWS EM Workshop on 4/1
- 4 year anniversary with Johnson County EMA on 4/24

## 8. Director Report:

- Final Covid 19 Claim being submitted May 15th 2021 and will conclude the EMA portion of our vaccination clinic support locally.
- We have continued handling response with JCPH for the covid 19 pandemic to include mainly vaccine clinic support and logistics/PPE.
- Conference calls and zoom / virtual meetings related to these things has slowed substantially and the EOC closed after 402 days of enhanced operations in April.
- Covid FEMA reimbursements for our claims for pandemic and Derecho are submitted except for 1 final claim due in by May 15th that will go in on time. To date we have been reimbursed by FEMA \$335,488.12 for the pandemic only from FEMA and are not completely paid out for that Stafford Act.
- Last week we received notice from HSEMD/FEMA of an additional \$123,971.67 that has been obligated to be paid from our original submissions with only the porta john rentals being denied.
- We still have some claims that went in after January that are still in various states of review at FEMA and HSEMD.
- FEMA Derecho claim is submitted and is under review by FEMA but has yet to be paid out which was over \$50,000 in the final claims.
- EMA Cash on hand as of 3/26/2021 is \$ 301,034.91
- Dive team recovered a vehicle from Lake MacBride on April 11th and that was submitted for payment to the insured owners State Farm agency for payment.
- North Liberty had a missing child as did Iowa City for which the drone team was paged out. The child was located in Iowa City prior to the arrival of the team for that call and in North Liberty the drones from Station 2, Kent Park and Coralville Fire all flew operations and a reverse 911 went out for it. The 4 kids in North Liberty were located but not due to the drone operations.
- All local sirens were tested on an out of sequence day due to weather in April and functioned.
- Iowa HSEMD is moving to Rave mobile as a new vendor and there have been several zoom meetings on that move. Mercy Iowa City is the only agency that will have to leave our platform and find another vendor due to the new state contract and they are aware.
- The buyout of 3 flood properties continue to move along and planning and zoning for Johnson County is working with ECI COG on that.
- The Flood Regulation plan is wrapping up the public comment period.
- We are decompressing our fairground PPE storage and will be out next week with a enhanced PPE cache being stored in a couple of sites through some partnerships.
- The sUAS drone class is completed and we have 16 new people trained on the team that are eligible to take the Part 107 test.
- The Side Scan Sonar courses is May 7th and 8th and has 14 seats full.
- Misc. other projects and plan work catchup ongoing.
- Food Box handout and vaccinations are this Thursday starting at 3pm at the Fairground.

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We have had a lot of boat and vehicle maintenance issues in the past month with the most serious being ongoing engine issues with the Lone Tree Boat and an inner rear dual wheel blowout on a call with R52.

- Old Business: COVID-19 Update, See Director's Report Flood Buy-Outs. 3 down by tri-county bridge continue to move forward. Vaccine events – last scheduled event is tomorrow. Stafford Act Claims. See Director's Report
- 10. New Business:

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R52 program update – Most rural FDs have ability to extricate. Calls that they actually arrive at is lowering. Even fewer when they actually have to extricate. Maintaining training has become a concern for JCSO. Engaging Chiefs for mutual aid response for those that need it for extrication calls. Goal is to transition out of business by 7/1/2021. Lone Tree Boat – Boat needs worked due to stale fuel. Recent classes (sUAS & Side Scan Sonar 14 folks next Friday and Saturday)

- 11. Other Business: None
- 12. Adjourn: Motion by John Thomas Second by Chris Taylor From, All Ayes. Carried with adjournment at 7:20 PM.