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**May 26, 2021 at 7:00 PM - Johnson County EMA Commission Meeting Minutes**

1. Opened the meeting and determined the quorum exceeded **7 Elected Commissioner Members, (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, On phone Vice Chair Louise From – Mayor of University Heights, Royceann Porter – Johnson County Supervisor, On phone John Thomas – City Council for Iowa City, On phone John Lundell – Mayor of Coralville, On phone Brad Kunkel – Sheriff, Orey Schwitzer – Fire Chief/Alternate of Coralville, On phone Terry Donahue – Mayor of North Liberty, Mitch Swinton – Councilperson Lone Tree, 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  
Motion by Mitch Swinton, Royceann Porter All ayes
4. Comments or topics from the public not related to the FY21 budget amendment:
5. Open the public hearing for the FY21 EMA budget amendment: Time 7:02 PM & Motion by Terry Donahue, Second by Royceann, all ayes
6. Comments from public on the proposed FY21 EMA budget amendment: No comments, ran in press citizen newspaper within the period as prescribed by code & certified copy provided
7. Close the FY21 EMA budget amendment's public hearing: Time 7:03 PM by John Thomas, Second by Royceann Porter, all ayes  
Open the regular meeting at: 7:03 PM
8. Action on the proposed FY21 budget amendment: Move approve as proposed. Time 7:04 PM & Motion by John Lundell, Second by Royceann Porter, all ayes (Approved)
9. Topics from the Commission: Brad would like to begin conversations about changing 7:00 PM meeting time at the fall meeting. Will be put on the fall agenda for discussion. Royceann brought up concerned citizen MRAP calls she has received. Dave and her talked and she referred her on to Sheriff's Office and ICPD and they coordinated Tuesday's warrants in which it was used. The vehicle is a defensive tool with no offensive items such as a ram or water cannon as some of the Lenco armored vehicles come equipped with. Its purpose is protection and to save lives. Information on MRAP can be found on the EMA website and has been there since 2013 or 14 when it was acquired through the 1033 LESO program and signed over to the Sheriff at that time.
10. HAZMAT Team Report:
  - Please see Deputy Director's Report
11. Deputy Director Report:
  - HAZMAT -
    - Returned to in person training sessions with social distancing in effect and masks if desired back in February
    - May training was unknown substance detection.
    - Call for service – 1, Cedar County – Tipton, handled remotely by ICFD Station 1 Battalion and HM1 Personnel, HM1 did not roll and was disregarded.
    - LEPC meeting in June, returning to face to face.
    - Long time HAZMAT Volunteer Martin Lacina, previously with UI Fire Safety, was hired on to ICFD full time. Will remain on HAMZAT Team. Congrats to Martin!
  - ARES –
    - Recruitment effort underway.
    - This group and CERT to alternate meeting months as several members are in both groups.

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○ Meetings to resume June 15<sup>th</sup>, in person and remote options available.

- CERT –
  - Assisted with the first Food/Vaccine clinic and will be assisting with the second on this Thursday.
  - Team meetings to tentatively resume in July.
  
  - Teen CERT is still on with Regina and class for that should kick off at the return to school next Fall.
  - Andy Cutter (Team Lead) was nominated for the Iowa Governor’s Volunteer Award for his solo work he has done for the CERT program. Awards will be presented virtually this year in July.
- REP Program –
  - Last REP meeting/scheduled commitment to DAEC is June 25, 2021.
- Healthcare Coalition (Service Area 5)
  - Many counties vaccine processes are slowing.
  - Delaware County PH providing their overflow supplies to us for usage.
  - Renewed efforts underway on for work on regional vulnerable populations planning.
- COVID19
  - Verification process for the PPE and Vaccine claims with submission to occur once concluded likely end of FFY (9/30/2021)
  - Logistics continues for covid 19 and vaccine operations.
- Long Term Recovery Committee continues to meet monthly with Patti and United Way leading that.
- Attending Rave Alert webinars prior to statewide changeover
- USACE meeting attended for LE coordination for the upcoming summer boating and holiday season
- Attended monthly HAZMAT Training
- Attended 8-hour HAZMAT Air Monitoring Class
- Conducted De-Escalation Training for County Employees
- Our building hosted an ICFD sponsored Fire Credentialing class that brought in command level firefighters and chiefs from as far as Illinois, Missouri, South Dakota an even Washington State. Received numerous compliments on our building and hospitality.
- Worked the Food/Vaccine Clinic on 4/29.

12. Director Report:

- Another Covid 19 claim for EMA is being turned in here in May and will conclude our EMA portion of our vaccination clinic support locally except for providing supplies we have on hand already, PPE replacement and distribution as well as charges to FEMA for force equipment/replacement costs of items going in.
- Only 2 final vaccine support projects on the horizon, tomorrow at the Fairgrounds is another food box handout and vaccination event for drive through vaccines starting in the afternoon and then again during the Johnson County Fair will be a chance for people to get vaccinations at that. Otherwise EMA has no vaccine support events planned, however as pharmacies or others need supplies we will provide them those items but we are otherwise concluded on our pandemic response for vaccination operations.
- I have put out notice to contractors to provide RFP’s for the after-action reviews for both the pandemic and the derecho and expect those responses back by June 30<sup>th</sup> and vendors will be selected and start this summer.
- We installed an updated side scan sonar with live view imaging today on one of the two ema drag boats located at the Sheriff’s office and operated by JCSO. It is our first Garmin unit and has a feature called “pan-optics” to allow real time viewing much like an ultrasound image you would see.
- The Dive team will be getting this in the Hummingbird version later this summer but it is on backorder.
- All trainings for side scan sonar and FAA Part 107 / COA drone operations went well. We had 15 in the side scan class and 16 in the drone operator course.

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- In addition to the two units owned and operated by CFD we have a unit at Kent Park with the Rangers, one on Hazmat 1 and one in North Liberty with them. Primary uses have been searching for missing persons (kids most often) and all units have various quality FLIR cameras on them for night time viewing, the units to be assigned to JCSO is on order.
- Our FAA COA waiver was just renewed for another couple of years and the equipment is FAA registered and renewed.
- FEMA reimbursements for our claims for pandemic continue to slowly come in and our Derecho claim is submitted and at Oakland CRC for processing.
- 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.
- As a reminder, only the porta john rentals were denied by FEMA which was just over \$9K in costs that they deemed ineligible as increased operating costs and my appeal was denied as well.
- We still have some claims that went in after January that are still in various states of review at FEMA and HSEMD.
- EMA Cash on hand as of 5/24/2021 is \$297,997.28
- We have no claims for special team responses outstanding and all have been paid including the most recent car recovery from Lake MacBride a couple months ago.
- Tiffin was notified of approved funds from FEMA mitigation grants for an additional outdoor weather siren and that will be ordered by them likely through Lighting Maintenance.
- We continue on the migration of the existing reverse 911 from WENS/Inspiron Logistics over to the new state contractor that starts July 1<sup>st</sup>. As a reminder, Iowa HSEMD is moving to Rave mobile as a new vendor and there have been several very long (most recent was a 5 hour) zoom meeting(s) working 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 and looking to continue their contract with Inspiron as funded by them.
- The buyout of 3 flood properties continue to move along and planning and zoning for Johnson County is working with ECI COG on that and my only update is that 2 people at River Front estates sold their homes and moved out before advancing with the buyout process but the other 3 in southern ends of the County are on track.
- We begin on Wednesday moving our fairground PPE storage into shipping containers and will be out next week. We also have an enhanced PPE cache being stored in a couple of sites through some partnerships.
- The R52 tire damage claim has been submitted to insurance and everything is repaired and operational. We expect the insurance check for just under \$900.00 back any day now.
- Catching up our training ours and plan updates due into the State in August.
- We have submitted 3 actual events for exercise credit and one webinar table top so far with one more to go.
- Otherwise lots of catch up work.
- Meet with Alexis Fire Equipment on modifications to R52 to convert some cabinets on it for the dive team as the truck will be done at JCSO and the Rescue program will sunset June 30, so we are moving the truck to the dive program for use, still getting numbers on that from vendors.
- Final state PPE push comes out this week for a few sites wanting additional items from their cache and we will have to go pickup and deliver that soon.

13. Old Business:

COVID-19 Update, See Director's Report

Flood Buy-Outs (3) continue to move forward.

Vaccine events – last scheduled event is tomorrow.

Stafford Act Claims. See Director's Report

R52 ending and truck repurposing as dive truck this summer or fall after we get bids and quotes back.

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14. New Business:  
Loan Tree Boat Replacement was in last week and sale of old boat via purple wave auction starts soon.  
Other Business: Juneteenth celebration block party will have vaccine clinic as well 5-8 PM, 8:30 PM movie
15. Adjourn: Motion by John Thomas Second by Royceann Porter, Mitch Swinton From, All Ayes. Carried with adjournment at 7:33 PM.