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### December 2, 2020 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, Terry Donahue – Mayor of North Liberty, Janelle Rettig– Board of Supervisors, Lonny Pulkrabek – Sheriff, Mickey Coonfare Mayor for Shueyville, Orey Schwitzer – Alternate for Coralville, Mitch Swinton – Councilperson for Lone Tree. Director Dave Wilson, Deputy EMA Director Travis Beckman.
- 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 to accept all three by Terry Donahue, Second by John Thomas, All ayes
- 4. Comments or topics from the public: None
- 5. Topics from the Commission: None
- 6. Haz Mat Team report: See below Deputy Director Report below.
- 7. Deputy Director Report:
  - HAZMAT -
    - All skills testing was oved to December due to COVID spike.
    - No call outs since last meeting.
    - o All other training has been on-line
    - o Delayed LEPC Meeting due to COVID spike, will hold this month virtually
    - $\circ$  Annual volunteer stipends out on 12/1
    - 11/23 transitioned to utilizing JCENS for team member paging and eliminating the paid subscription service *I am Responding* that we had been using.
    - HM1 continues to be housed at Fleet while ICFD trains on their new engine. (Thank you Fleet Services)
  - ARES
    - Continue to meet "on-air" rather than in-person
    - Rich Bingham will be stepping down as team coordinator and a plaque for his years of service is on order
  - o CERT
    - No training or missions since last meeting
  - o REP Program
    - No meeting since last commission meeting
  - Healthcare Coalition (Service Area 5)
    - o Continued to remain busy during COVID assisting the state with the Regional Medical Coordinating Center
    - Regular monthly meetings are all Go to Meeting
  - o COVID19
    - Continue to publish SITREPs based on our EOC Calls as we have returned to an every Wednesday at 3pm meeting schedule for the situation reports
    - LTC weekly calls continue to discuss needs, best practices, etc.
    - Adult Care Centers continue to meet weekly.

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- Long Term Recovery Committee continues to meet weekly working through both COVID and the DERECHO
- Completed work with the State's independent contract auditors for the local match for the FEMA claim from March 1<sup>st</sup> through November 16<sup>th</sup>. We had a light duty employee from JCSO who helped us track down paperwork for the 25% local match that the State of Iowa will cover under the COVID Cares act funding they were issued by the feds.
- o First three initial payments from FEMA were received in early November
- Compiling invoices for additional claim for items needed going into the current surge and beyond
- Multiple IDPH webinars
- Assisting Public Health with COVID vaccine planning efforts
- Participated in tours and meetings with EM's at the new Mercy Iowa City Rehab hospital as well as the Collins (BAE systems) locations in Coralville
- o Preparing EMPG21 grant for submission

### 8. Director Report:

- COVID 19
  - Presently 164 people including (37 Johnson County Residents) (16 residents from nursing homes or other assisted living type facilities) (1 of which was from Cross Park Place) (9 IDOC inmates 4 are listed as additional Johnson County Residents, have died in hospitals or other places of residence/care facilities throughout Johnson County since 3/8/2020 when the first case in Iowa was reported here in Johnson County. As of 8 pm on 11/30/2020 Johnson County has the 4<sup>th</sup> highest case count with 58,527 tested, 9,583 positive and 6,280 recovered. Presently our 3 local hospitals are in a 3<sup>rd</sup> peak of covid-19 inpatients.
- o DIVE Team No recent calls for service since the summer and training has been cancelled until further notice.
- o Intern Tiffany Schnick from JCAS has completed her internship with us this past week.
- Derecho Denied on Federal I.A. and appeal, State I. A. program is active, claim has been submitted as of noon Monday 11/30/2020 to include force account equipment and labor as well as logistics contract and cat. Z contract staff. The formal appeal on the 2% debris alternate pilot project was submitted to FEMA Region 7 for review by both Johnson & Clinton County and the City of Coralville also wrote an appeal. No response yet but it appears to be an uphill battle.
- Damage to the outdoor sirens have all been repaired and will be tested on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10 am. Claim is paid by our insurance to the vendor and the balance was submitted to FEMA as part of the Stafford Act Claim.
- A new weather station is in service and online here at JECC-EMA to replace the damaged one and an additional was installed at the Oxford Fire Station and should be online shortly.
- The agreement was signed paid for and submitted to the EMPG FFY21 grant for the 5 year contract for the Iowa Flood Center stream gauge at the Sutliff Bridge F14 and is being installed and calibrated by IFS and will be reporting data soon.
- This will be our last full year of DAEC revenue (\$21,000.00) for support as a host county as the plant is off line and no further exercises are scheduled locally. The EPZ will shrink to a 5 mile radius as soon as the Zirconium fire risk threat is passed later in 2021.
- On December 10<sup>th</sup> the FDA is scheduled to meet on the EUA (emergency use authorization) for both Moderna and the Pfizer Covid 19 vaccines being approved for delivery and use. We are working with JCPH and IDPH as well as many other public and private partners on the distribution roll out for that. It is unknown exactly how many doses of each brand of vaccine Johnson County will get. Town crest Pharmacy, several large commercial national pharmacies and the local Hospitals will all be involved in the roll out and we have ultra-cold storage locally for roughly a half million

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doses of the Pfizer vaccine and the Moderna Vaccine requires less stringent cold chain logistics so we are well prepared for whatever amount of vaccine is issued to Johnson County.

- The 26 Foot refrigerated truck was sent on an IMAC request to standby in Scott County for covid 19 surge planning and out 53 Foot semi refrigerated trailer is setup and ready for any surge as is the JCME's office M.E.R.C. system so we feel good about our ability to surge for covid deceased persons should that need arise.
- We continue to process a lot of PPE logistics work and all of our major resupply of backordered items have arrived and been claimed on our FEMA claim.
- We have seen 3 payments so far from our FEMA claims and have 1 more round of claims to submit to close out the present response. It includes items for the vaccination campaign.
- We stood up the EOC for election night and it was uneventful and closed down around midnight.
- Plan updates are in final edit and review for the present year.
- The State on Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> of November at 3pm released our budget forms online so I do not have a detailed budget to present to you tonight.
- Financial reports and agency cash on hand are attached to the main packet being issued on December 1st
- 9. Old Business:
  - COVID 19 See Director's Report
  - Vaccine Planning Ongoing efforts to plan for initial phase 1A which now includes Healthcare and Long Term Care centers. County has a large number of 1A grouping once all levels of healthcare works and all the residents in LTCs are factored in. We may or may not receive enough doses on the first round as there are still uncertainty of quantities being shipped.
  - Stafford Act Claims See Director's Report. Grassley's office confirmed FEMA will not honor our 2% incentive for debris clean up.
- 10. New Business:
  - Budget discussion for FY22
  - Building to be put on hold due to land not being acquired and need to balance budget this next year.
  - Bonding for this year to be left out of this upcoming FY22 budget.
- 11. Other Business:
  - Set date for January preliminary budget presentation and budget amendment date set for January 13th
  - BOS budget presentation on January 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Set date for public hearing/Commission action date set for January 27th
- 12. Adjourn: Motion by Janelle Rettig, second by John Thomas, all ayes.

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