

At 7:30AM, March 1, 2023, President Flath called the LaMoire County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) business meeting to order. The presentation had been emailed prior to the meeting. Due to weather, the meeting was held virtually only utilizing the GoToMeeting <https://meet.goto.com/893499869> or by Phone: **+1 (408) 650-3123 Access Code: 893-499-869.**

Members present online or on phone indicated below:

Bob Flath	County Commissioner	X	Paul Ostendorf	Industry	
Jessica Duffy	Public Health	X	Jacob Olson	Industry	
Kimberly Robbins	Emergency Manager	X	Deputy Alexis Peterson	Sheriff's Dept	X
Art Hagebock	LaMoire Fire/Print Media		Janice Shannon	Edgeley Ambulance Service	X
Doug Hintzman	Kulm Fire/Kulm EMS		Julianne Racine	County Extension Agent	X
Alan Nitschke	Jud Fire	X	Bill Brown	NDDES (non Voting)	X
Mike Vogel	Verona Fire	X	Frank Balak	CV Health (non-voting)	
Gene Hanson	Marion Fire	X	Darrick Nitschke	Public Works – LaMoire County Highway Dept	X
Grant Mathern	Edgeley Fire	X	Kathy Haag	Kulm Ambulance	
James Shockman	State's Attorney		Others attending:	Clint Knudsen – Marion Fire	X
Nancy Noot	CVEMS of LaMoire	X		Jason Weigel – County Commissioner – Edgeley Fire	X
Zeb Mahin	Kulm VFD				

The minutes were not sent with the presentation prior to the meeting. Thus, there was no motion to approve the December 1, 2022 minutes. The Treasurers' report was reviewed with expenses of a meal and printing since the last meeting. President Flath approved the Treasurer's report.

Incidents: There was one incident in [www.spill.nd.gov](http://www.spill.nd.gov) since the last meeting. It was listed as a semi-tractor trailer release of diesel fuel near Kathryn.

The companies/entities that had submitted the TIER II reports by the meeting date were reviewed. There was one entity that had not submitted by 3PM on February 28<sup>th</sup>.

Training/Exercises: Kimberly shared a link for the Dickinson First Responder Training Symposium in April and will email it to the group. The committee then started review of the current training schedule. There was interest in including additional training when the SIRM project and equipment is available. The Integrated Preparedness Plan Program was discussed as start of the Workshop. Kimberly will be the Point of Contact and Janice Shannon with Edgeley Ambulance agreed to be the alternate. Other sub-committee members that volunteered were Mike Vogel to represent Fire Departments and Darrick Nitschke from public works/LaMoire County. Bill Brown provided insight into the IPP Workshop as well. The Threats, Hazards and Risks were presented from the Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan (MHMP), THIRA, recent Table Top, FEMA disaster and recent events. There was a question why a public health incident was not listed. It was explained that although identified in the MHMP, this incident did not receive a High rating. The group looked at the current list of Areas for Improvement and Capabilities and again radio communications was mentioned. The list of External Resources and Requirement was made available yet due to the virtual option, it was decided to move the remaining IPPW to the subcommittee.

Old Business: The Unique Entity Identifier number is required for Federal Grant Submissions and entities were again reminded to register at SAM.gov.

Kimberly provided a quote of \$825.58 at this meeting for the "Are You Prepared? And "You Are the Help.." flyer. This would be mailed to each resident in LaMoire County. Kimberly mentioned that a grant would pay for part of the cost. Al Nitschke made a motion to pay for half of the printing and mailing of the flyer. Grant seconded. Motion passed.

New Business: The Homeland Security Grant program will be opening applications soon. It was explained that some of the priorities will likely be active threat, cybersecurity, securing public places and election security. The Hazardous Material Emergency Prepared Grant application is also open currently and covers conferences, training and planning.

Kimberly reviewed the HazConnect website and strongly encouraged fire departments to establish a login. TIER II reports are not mailed yet the company information and local business contact numbers are all listed in this site.

As discussed previously in the training plan, Kimberly has recently visited with the cities of LaMoire and Marion about the LaMoire County Emergency Operation Plan and Incident Command Structure and training classes as they cities plan for flooding. The plan is to visit with all cities.

Darin Anderson was recently announced as the new Director of North Dakota State Radio. Congratulations Darin!

The Edispatches contract should be sent soon for the 2023-2024 year. As a reminder, that the LEPC voted that the total invoice would be split the cost among the entities that use the system. Payment will be due in April.

There was a request from a business for the LaMoure County LEPC to sign a Risk Management Program review. Further information was asked from the company and not received. Kimberly will send the information to Bill Brown for his review as well.

Other Business: The SAFER Grant is opening.

Next meeting date was tentative set for August 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30AM in Edgeley

President Flath adjourned the meeting at 8:38AM.

Minutes approved 8/9/2023