

**Price County Local Emergency Planning Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

Date: January 18, 2023

Time 1:30 p.m.

Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101; 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Chair Doug Rasmussen at 1:30 p.m.

Present: Michelle Edwards, Josh Englund, Brian Ernst, Michael Hauschild, Robert Hawn (for Brian Schmidt), Roxanne Kahan, Paul Melby, Marvin Nevelier, Roger Petrick, Doug Rasmussen, Philip Richard (remote). Excused: Jeff Hallstrand. Absent: Philip Bochler, Darla Isham, Jean Klimowski, Kristin Palecek. Jean reviewed attending meeting via conference call.

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Communications and Announcements: None.
2. Minutes of July 20, 2022 meeting: Motion Edwards/Englund to approve the minutes of the Jul 20, 2022 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
3. By-Laws: Need to designate SERC. Reviewed. Consensus of committee to approve with no amendments needed.
4. Off-Site Facilities: Filed 10 required plans. In need of contact for CenturyLink/Bright Speed. Reviewed list of off-site facilities.
5. County-Wide Strategic Plan: Member list will be approved at the February County Board meeting.
6. Officer elections
 - a) Chairperson: Kahan nominated Doug Rasmussen. Motion Edwards/Ernst to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Doug Rasmussen for Chairperson. Motion carried.
7. Emergency Management Report
 - a) Hazardous Spills Report: Town of Fifield, 10-gallon hydraulic fluid. City of Phillips, fuel tank damage. City of Phillips, blue substance on lake. City of Phillips, wastewater drainage. City of Phillips, sewage release.
 - b) Review Level B Hazmat Team Agreement: Ashland Team members available remotely, Matt Spangler, Hazmat Coordinator and Stuart Matthias, Chief of Ashland Fire Department. Resolution on file from 1999 will need to be updated. Requested training with local emergency response personnel. Current Firefighter Level 1 training will have the Hazmat requirement.
 - c) EPCRA Computer and Hazardous Response Equipment Grant and EPCRA Planning and Administration Grants: Requirements: annual notice publication, designate coordinator, public outreach, four-year exercise plan, County plan update. 2023 grant \$8,028. Will do an information gathering survey from local partners to determine where there may be deficiencies in any area of response.
 - d) Northwest Regional Hazmat Tabletop Exercise: February 1st 6pm – 9pm in the County Board Room in Phillips.
 - e) 2023 Annual Governor's Conference: Discussed training opportunities. February 27- March 1 in Middleton. Registration \$225 by January 31st, \$275 after. LEPC will pay for attendants.
8. Schedule Next Meeting: April 19.
9. Meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk