

WHITE PINE COUNTY (WPC)
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC) MEETING AGENDA

Meeting date: Tuesday, March 15th, 2022

Time: 10:00 am

Place: White Pine County Emergency Operations Center (EOC), 1150 North McGill Highway, Ely, Nevada, 89301

Present: Ed Spear, Pat Stork, Ross Rivera, Bob Winder, Scott Henriod, Brett North, Chris Garcia, Bernadett Sena, Shannin Peirce, Ryan Gerchman (state OEM) and Tabatha Hamilton

- I. Roll Call/Call to Order- **The meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM. Brett called roll. Above is a list of attendees**
- II. Public comment – **Brett called for public comment. No public comment was made.**
- III. Discussion for possible action: Approval or resignation of Shania Marques from the LEPC board and the appointment of Ross Rivera to take her place as the main contact representing the Ely Shoshone Tribe under environmental- **Ed made a motion to approve the resignation of Shania and to put Ross as the main representative. The motion was seconded by Pat and the motion was carried. There was discussion on approval from the County Commission and if it was needed. Ross would be providing a letter from the Tribe and Tabatha would make sure that it was on the next Commission Agenda.**
- IV. Discussion for Possible Action: Approval of Agenda- **Scott made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Pat and the motion was carried.**
- V. Discussion for Possible Action: Review & Approval of Minutes from 10/4/2021& 1/11/2022.-**There was discussion on whether or not this item should be two different items in case certain members needed to abstain. After some discussion it was determined that members did not need to abstain from approval of minutes simply because they missed the previous meeting as long as they agreed with how everything was written. Ed made a motion to approve both sets of minutes. The motion was seconded by Scott and the motion was carried.**
- VI. Discussion for Possible Action: Approval of updates based on listed deficiencies to send to SERC to maintain compliance- **Tabatha explained that she has sent out emails listing the deficiencies from SERC. She explained that the Bylaw deficiencies were drafted by her and sent to the committee with changes in red. She explained the changes were simply standard language that appeared to be missing from the current bylaws. She explained that the training schedule was the only thing that was not in the HAZMAT Response plan and that she had not put a draft together because she had no guidance on how to do so.**
 - a. HAZMAT Response Plan Update- **There was question on specific requirements for this schedule. It was suggested that Tabatha reach out to SERC about the requirements and then coordinate with Brett and Pat to create this schedule.**
 - b. LEPC Bylaws Update- **Ed made a motion to approve the updates. The motion was seconded by Ross and the motion was carried. Tabatha would have this item on the County Commission agenda for approval as well.**
- VII. Discussion for Possible Action: Approval of amendment request for UWS grant- **Ed made a motion to table the item. The motion was seconded by Pat and the motion was carried. This item was tabled as it seemed to be a mistake on the agenda.**
- VIII. Discussion for Possible Action: Approval of amendment request for OPTE grant- **Tabatha explained that this was a necessary change to receive reimbursement for items purchased that were over the**

budget that was applied for, for that item. A motion was made by Pat to approve the amendment. The motion was seconded by Scott and the motion was carried.

- IX. Discussion for possible action: Approval of OPTE grant application including items to be determined- Tabatha listed items that were requested by Pete Mangum for the School district such as more supply buckets, AED batteries and AED pads. Scott brought a quote for Binoculars to help respond to spills that may not allow close proximity to view due to hazard. Pat explained that he was requesting spill kits for the City Fire Departments since he had recently given his up to help a different entity. He explained that he had requested a quote but had not yet received one. It was suggested that the County Fire also get spill kits. Brett suggested updating the HAZMAT response plan. Tabatha explained that LEPC had tried this before for the HMEP grant but that the County had to request help from the state in updating the plan before they could use funding to update the plan. She explained that to her knowledge, Brett had once reached out but she was not sure if a response was ever received. Scott made a motion to apply for Binoculars based on his quote, 20 supply bucket/ refills for the School District and that the remaining money be provided to both fire departments for HAZMAT spill response supplies based on a quote that Pat would soon receive. This funding would provide as many sets of spill response supplies as possible and would be divided between the City and the County Fire based on necessity as the County still has spill kits currently. The motion was seconded by Ross and the motion was carried. Tabatha would be coordinating with Pat and Brett for quotes and information to include in the application.**
- X. Discussion for possible action: Update on THIRA- Brett updated that the state was working on the THIRA and that it would not be complete for a few months.**
- XI. Reports/ Updates**
- a. Public health office- Shannin updated that COVID was slowing down in their office and that operation was beginning to go back to normal. There was no assistance needed from LEPC.**
 - b. State department of emergency management- Ryan Gerchman with the Nevada Division of Emergency Management introduced himself and updated that he was the new hazard mitigation planner. He explained that White Pine County was a part of a Regional Hazard mitigation plan that included and is due for renewal. He explained that since White Pine had been responsible for coordinating the last update, that it was now Eureka County's responsibility to coordinate the update. He also suggested that LEPC discuss with the Ely Shoshone Tribe on whether or not they would want to be a part of this Hazard Mitigation Plan since they have not had one in the past. He explained the benefits of resources and being a good neighbor. He again reiterated that COVID supplies were always available and that the Northern Nevada Warehouse could be potentially be moved and consolidated with the Southern warehouse due to a potential lease end. He explained that he would provide Tabatha with contact information. He updated that Rodney Write was the state training and exercise officer and is available to help develop schedules, tabletops and more. He explained that the states training was now under the Nevada Training qualifications system and is the way to upgrade certifications and have a database of all IS Certifications in one place. He also explained that the state can help in updating resources to update the HAZMAT Response Plan.**
 - c. Development of community key entities contact list- A few contacts were found to need updates. Tabatha would be updating them. Brett and Tabatha would be working on getting**

contacts for Churches (for housing purposes) and local contractors (for emergency purposes.

d. Development of calendar- **Tabatha explained that she changes the calendar template.**

i. Informal action needed for upcoming due dates- **None.**

XII. Discussion For Possible Action: Future agenda items- **UWS application approval.**

XIII. Discussion for Possible Action: Next meeting date- **April 12th, 2022 was suggested as the next meeting date.**

XIV. Public comments – **None.**

XV. For Possible Action: Adjournment- **Pat made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Scott and the meeting was adjourned.**