



Minutes – November 5, 2018

The regular meeting of the Michigan Citizen-Community Emergency Response Coordinating Council (MCCERCC) was held on Monday, November 5, 2018, at 7150 Harris Drive, Dimondale, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m. by the Chair, Capt. Emmitt McGowan.

Roll call was taken by the Secretary, and the following Council members were present: Mr. Marc Breckenridge, Mr. Brad Deacon, Mr. Ken Gembel, Mr. Tutt Gorman, Mr. Garry Gross (on behalf of Ms. Ginna Holmes), Capt. Emmitt McGowan, Chief Kerry Minshall, Ms. Eileen Phifer, Dr. Phil Schertzing, Ms. Jennifer Lixey-Terrill (on behalf of Ms. Linda Scott), Mr. Kevin Sehlmeier, Capt. Brad Smith, and Col. Sean Southworth.

Chair McGowan acknowledged that Mr. Kenneth Gembel was appointed to the MCCERCC in 1999 and thanked him for his many years of service on the State Emergency Response Commission. He invited Mr. Gembel to attend the February 2019 meeting at which time an award will be presented.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Breckenridge made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Motion was supported by Mr. Gembel. The agenda was approved as presented.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Captain Smith made a motion to approve the August 13, 2018, meeting minutes. Motion was supported by Colonel Southworth. Minutes were approved as presented.

Chair McGowan welcomed new MCCERCC members and Council reappointments. He introduced himself as the new Council chair, stating he has been with the Michigan State Police for 22 years and is now commander of the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division (EMHSD). Prior to that, he commanded the Uniform Deployment in the Southeast Michigan/Metro Detroit area. He is glad to be here and hopes to get to know everyone.

Ms. Lixey-Terrill announced that Ms. Linda Scott, Director for the Bureau of EMS, Trauma and Preparedness for the Department of Health and Human Services, will be taking the Council position formerly held by Dr. Jackie Scott.

Reports of Committees

Citizen Corps

Mr. Gross presented on behalf of Ms. Holmes for the Michigan Community Service Commission. He reported they will continue to conduct monthly Citizen Corps focus group calls and will begin doing tours in all of the regions. He stated they have been engaging with the Advanced CERT Committee to determine the future course of the program, and that Region 7 CERT training will be held early next year with more information forthcoming. Mr. Gross announced they were fortunate to receive supplemental funding from a special source that will be utilized to help communities develop volunteer management and donations management plans throughout the state.

Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know

Mr. Breckenridge recognized Ms. Brenna Roos* to present an update on the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant.

* Denotes employee of the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division

Ms. Roos reported that 48 counties participated in HMEP for FY17-18. Of the 100 SARA Title III emergency response plans received, 87 were deemed eligible for reimbursement. Approximately \$97,000 will be distributed to the 48 counties, depending on the number of plans submitted. Counties will be reimbursed toward the end of December 2018, and FY18-19 applications will be sent out electronically as well. She reported that Michigan was randomly chosen for a desk audit in December, which is a routine practice that the Department of Transportation conducts for HMEP states. She recently visited Ionia, Oakland, and Kent counties to discuss LEPC goals and board management, and she advised Council members of her availability to present hazardous materials training at LEPC meetings in their communities.

Mr. Breckenridge reported that he received feedback in his area that the Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA), which took place on the backup date, was a success. Ms. Roos added there was a breakout session regarding the WEA test during the International Association of Emergency Managers' (IAEM) Conference she attended, and FEMA acknowledged that the notification was a success. The percentage of people it reached was very high, and they are currently working on new issues that were identified.

Hazard Mitigation

Dr. Schertzing reported that the Hazard Mitigation (HM) Committee held a meeting prior to today's Council meeting in order to review issues. He suggested that under "New Business," a motion be made for an additional Council meeting in order to vote on the Michigan Hazard Mitigation Plan. He recognized Mr. Mike Sobocinski* to report on this plan.

Mr. Sobocinski distributed two handouts: 1) a proposed process and timeline for the Michigan Hazard Mitigation Plan, and 2) a summary of Michigan's estimated top hazards. He provided an extensive explanation of the plan, which needs to be updated every five years. The plan is a large document (approximately 950 pages), which presents some issues for logistics updating and review. As a result, there will be a separate document for the Michigan Hazard Analysis, which provides the framework for the plan. Mr. Sobocinski stated that the MCCERCC will be called upon to support the plan. The plan must be approved by FEMA, but first requires the Governor's signature. He noted that hazard mitigation grants also require the plan to be in place.

Dr. Schertzing recognized Mr. Matt Schnepf* to provide an update on hazard mitigation grants and programs.

Mr. Schnepf reported they currently have 48 ongoing Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) grants for approximately \$28 million federal share, with an additional 11 applications for \$6.4 million awaiting FEMA approval. For the 2017 Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grants, 6 out of 13 applications are approved. For the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Disaster 4195, there is approximately 24 million in federal share available for 28 grants. Four applications were received for HMGP Disaster 4326, and all were submitted to FEMA and are pending approval.

Mr. Schnepf reported they are starting work on two new funding opportunities: 1) Disaster 4381 for which approximately \$4.5 million is available, and 2) PDM 2018 whose application period started October 1, 2018. They are currently developing applications for 21 notices of intent received. He explained that the HM Committee normally meets, reviews the applications, develops a proposed ranking order, and then the whole Council is involved with approving the rankings. These applications are due at the end of January 2019. In past years when the MCCERCC was unable to meet prior to the deadline date, the Council has given the HM Committee authority to approve the rankings.

Mr. Schnepf introduced Mr. Dan Metiva who is the new Hazard Mitigation Analyst with EMHSD. He was previously with the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, and they are excited to have him on board.

MIReady Advisory Panel

Ms. Wendy Galbreath* reported that the MIReady Advisory Panel (MIRAP) has added a recreational safety hazard to the 10 most prominent hazards in Michigan, explaining that Michigan considers itself a recreational state which brings in tourists, sports, and outdoor enthusiasts. They are deciding on a name for this hazard that will basically encompass fishing, snowmobiling, skiing, beach hazards, etc. Ms. Galbreath stated they are creating a statewide MIReady outreach calendar to ensure they target all hazards. Each month they will feature a specific MIRAP campaign. Once the calendar is completed, it will be distributed to all local

and state program partners. She added that moving forward, any new documents created will incorporate the capability of assisting those with access and functional needs. They are also working on the first newsletter, which they anticipate will be disseminated in December.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Ms. Roos reported that the MCCERCC Annual Plan Update was disseminated to Council members last week and she received comments regarding some minor changes to the document. A current draft is located on the table in the room for those who would like to review it today. The most significant change in this year's plan was the addition of the MIReady Advisory Panel, and she thanked Ms. Galbreath for her assistance with that portion. The plan will require the MSP Director's signature.

Mr. Deacon made a motion to adopt the MCCERCC Annual Plan allowing for final edits, as Captain McGowan directs. Motion was seconded by Mr. Breckenridge. Motion adopted.

Ms. Roos referred to the MCCERCC 2019 Schedule of Meetings, indicating there are two items on the table that may require changes to the February and May meeting dates. The first is to accommodate approval of the ranked order for PDM projects prior to January 31, 2019, and the second is to accommodate approval of the Michigan Hazard Mitigation Plan. After brief discussion, a recommendation was made to change the February 11 meeting date to January 28 and the May 13 meeting date to March 25.

Mr. Deacon moved that the proposed identified amendments be made to the 2019 Schedule of Meetings with the August 12 and November 4 dates remaining unchanged. Motion was supported by Mr. Breckenridge. Motion adopted.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

Colonel Southworth moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was supported by Captain McGowan. Meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Mr. Brad Deacon, Secretary