Nemaha County Kansas Pioneer Building Meeting Room 710 Pioneer Street 15 May 2025

Nemaha County Emergency Management director Eddie Aldrine, chairman of the Nemaha County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Thirteen members and three guests were in attendance. Those in attendance were Eddie, Doug Allen, Tom Haug, Todd Helm, Lauri Hertzler, Michael Philbrick, Amber Rieger, Curtis Stahel, Jeff Stallbaumer, Courtney Strathman, Ed Steinlage, Rich Vernon and Marie Weaver. Guests were Andrea Deters, NV Community Hospital, and presenters Michael Seastrom, Kansas Department of Health and Environment and Carol Arnold, American Red Cross.

Introductions by members present were the first order of business.

Eddie jumped to agenda item 3, the presentation by Michael Seastrom. He is the compliance officer for Tier II Reporting. Michael narrated his PowerPoint presentation about past events and clarified new reporting requirements. Some of the new reporting requirements will affect Nemaha County reporters.

The next presentation was provided by Carol Arnold. This was more of an introduction to herself and her role within the Red Cross organization. She would like to find a group of volunteers that could assist with Nemaha County incidents. One can contact her at: carol.arnold@redcross.org

Eddie reminded the committee that his initial weather radio grant application had been approved, and has moved on to the main application for the grant. That application has not been approved yet. He had hoped to have the radios here by now. He has not been informed of the status of fulfilling this grant.

Eddie reported that the railroad 101 class had happened. It was also reported that Stop the Bleed general public classes had been held in the county. Sabetha has one more coming up later in May.

Eddie asked for project ideas for the hazard mitigation grant program. He has thought about storm sirens at Centralia Lake and the old Sabetha City Lake which some members voiced positive approval. Another idea given today would be to have an AED housed at each of these lakes.

Eddie asked for ideas on how the emergency management trailer could be better utilized. Our county administrator has suggested communication. No further ideas came from the committee.

The topic of Bike Across Kansas was brought up. Eddie and Rich are aware of this event coming in June.

It was announced that the next meeting is scheduled for August 21 beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the Pioneer Building meeting room.

Ed made a motion to adjourn followed by Jeff seconding and after a quick voice vote Eddie adjourned the meeting at 2:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Michael Philbrick Secretary