

Cass County EMA Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 07, 2010

Meeting called to order at 7:08PM by Herb Bowman

Motion to approve minutes of previous meeting by Tom, second by Wally. Motion carried.

Old Business

Alvin reported the county is considering changing mapping systems from WtH to 39 degrees North. He is investigating to see if this will be compatible with the AVL units purchased through previous grants. If not there could be a significant issue. Brad voiced concern over the availability of floor plans made possible through 39 degrees north. Alvin pointed out the new software is internet dependent and during times of internet disruption the service might not be available. This would also be an issue for agencies not possessing an air card or connected to the internet through the 800 system.

Alvin is looking into the possibility of USDA grants for more warning sirens and/or weather radios.

No updates on District 4 or NIMS.

Alvin is continuing to search for potential reduction points in the budget beyond the cuts already made.

New Business

June was a busy month for weather including two confirmed tornados. At EMA 17" of rain were received, some parts of the county received more.

The Pharos Tribune recently published an article regarding the frequent activation of storm sirens last month. Alvin reported he always leans towards the side of safety. A copy of the Warning Siren Activation Plan, Outdoor Warning Siren Outlook Plan, and a letter seeking to establish a Warning Siren Maintenance Fund were distributed for discussion.

Claims were submitted in the amount of \$15, 876.42. Motion to approve by Herb Detrick, second by Tom. Motion carried.

Alvin reported EMA and Citizen Corps will both have booths at the fair next week. He is working with the Red Cross and Girl Scouts to set up a mock disaster and will also be meeting with Grissom Officials regarding the potential for an event to affect the Miami Correctional Facility.

Motion to adjourn at 7:45PM by Herb D, second by Phil. Motion carried.