



**CALL TO ORDER**

The Cass County EMAC met at 7:00 PM at the Office of the Cass County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) at 1227 N SR 17, Logansport, IN 46947.

The meeting was called to order by Herb Bowman. Present was Alvin Beckman, Phil Rains, Wally Bennett, Carl McPherson, Jeff Smith, Ed Schroder, Cory Harmon, Tracy Williamson and Liz Troxell.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting was approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**GRANTS**

We are working on Cass County's Multi-Hazard Mitigation Grant. This grant looks at different hazards and vulnerabilities that the county faces and looks for ways to mitigate or lessen the effect of these issues. Several members of the Advisory Council will be asked to be part of the planning team for this effort. The next planning team meeting will be June 10th, and will be looking at ways of preventing disasters. School Safety Grant and SHSP Grant have been announced and we have to give them intent to file by May 10.

**DISTRICT 4:**

The state level exercise will be conducted in August this year, and be held at Fulton County.

**WARNING SIRENS:**

We discussed a possible contract with ERS for a maintenance contract to cover expenses for repairing the sirens, at approximately \$11,525.00 per year. If the board approves the idea, we will put in the budget for 2020. It was mentioned that we need to conduct a survey to find out just how residents receive their warning notices, and we take this information and look at the best way of notifying the public in the event of an emergency situation or severe weather incident.

**COUNTY READINESS ASSESSMENT**

We have met all our initial goals for this year, and Sharon Gerlach will be following up with Alvin on future plans.

**NEW FURNACE FOR EMA BUILDING**

Discussion was held regarding replacing the current heaters we use with a furnace. We had an incident where one of the heaters had flames shooting out above the heater, and if Liz and Herb Detrick had not been here, the building could have caught on fire. It was suggested that we get estimates from local businesses to see what the cost would be for the furnace. It was also suggested adding central air to the building.

**ANY OTHER OLD BUSINESS:**

No old business to report

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**2020 BUDGET DISCUSSION**

Alvin is looking and formalizing the budget for 2020. He noted that there will be an increase in the budget, mainly because of maintenance contracts and costs.

**ACTIVITY REPORT/RESPONSE REPORT**

Report from April 4 to May 1

**UPCOMING TRAINING/MEETINGS/EXERCISES**

Logansport State Hospital had a meeting with Public Safety officials from the county and city, team training with radios, Brain Cancer run in 12 Mile

**ANY OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

No new business to report.

**CLAIMS**

The claims are in the amount of \$ 2880.20 for 4-4-19 threw 5-1-19 was approved