EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT & 911

COMMITTEE: EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT

DATE: MONDAY, JULY 19, 2021

TIME: 3:00 P.M.

PLACE: COUNTY BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Gretzinger called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and read the agenda.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Gretzinger, Lukas, & Miller

Absent: Matuszewski

Others Present: Nora Matuszewski, Stephanie Statezny, Josh Bradley, Alex Walrath

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Lukas, second by Miller to approve the agenda as presented. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FEBRUARY 1, 2021 MEETING

Motion by Miller, second by Lukas to approve the Emergency Management February 1, 2021 meeting. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was discussion on the WPS tower and if the repeaters and equipment can be installed for the 911 system.

EMERGENCY DIRECTOR UPDATES:

• UPDATE OF TOWERS (WALRATH)

Walrath updated the committee on what he has done for organizing the towers. He told the committee there are 26 towers in Forest County and he had a sheet that had all of the information on it about the specific tower. It had pictures of the tower, leases, construction info., and cost estimates. When finished he will provide the board members with cd's of the information as well as the county clerk.

• PANIC BUTTONS UPDATE

Walrath updated the committee on the panic buttons.

• EMERGENCY EVACUATION ROUTES UPDATES

Walrath has these finished and they are currently being hung up in the complex. He feels there needs to be a training with the staff on what to do when the routes are needed.

DISPATCH ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES (BRADLEY)

Bradley updated the committee on the progress of the dispatch center: They are up to full staff and are waiting on Frontier to finish some problems they are facing.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:

• OFFICE HOURS

Statezny feels the office hours should be 4- 10 hours days, with Friday off. (Monday-Thursday from 7:00am to 5:30pm)

FIRE NUMBERS

Statezny wanted the committee to know that Andy Faust from North Central called to make sure the committee wants to move forward and pursue the fire number changes. The committee confirmed they wanted to go forward, in fact that is one of the reasons the Emergency Director was made full time.

• EM OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Statezny told the committee she did not have much in the way of office equipment and had a sheet with a desk, etc.

Motion by Lukas to forward the request on to Finance, second by Miller. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

• OUTREACH TO FIRE/RESCUE/TRIBAL

The committee felt it is important that Statezny go to a Town's Association meeting for initial outreach, attend the quarterly meetings headed by "Burkey", and to make sure to avoid as much overtime as possible.

• CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN

Statezny had the plan and wondered if it needed to be distributed and if so she would get them out. It was thought they were not distributed.

NEWMAC AGREEMENT

This will be brought back to a future meeting for resolution.

• AMERICAN TOWER LEASE

American Tower is wanting to extend their lease with the County. The current contract will be located to see when it expires and then go from there.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- NEWMAC Agreement
- American Tower Lease
- Fire Numbers

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lukas, second by Miller to adjourn. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.m.

These minutes are not official until approved at the next scheduled meeting of the Emergency Government Committee meeting.