

SWEET GRASS COUNTY

Local Emergency Planning Committee (L.E.P.C.)

All Hazards and Emergency 9-1-1

Minutes

Date of Meeting: **August 24, 2023 11:30 AM**

Location: **Ambulance Hall, Meeting Room; 220 W 1ST AVE; Big Timber MT**

Attendees:

J.V. Moody, SG Commissioner
Alan Ronneberg, Sheriff
Dan Tronrud, Community Health
Cory Conner, SG Public Works
Kevin Langhus, SG Public Works/SAR
Kris Novotny, City Fire Chief

Zane Leonard, East Boulder
Cliff Brophy, DES / 9-1-1 Coordinator
John Wetenkamp, NWS
GUESTS:
Greg Oyler, Fire Management USFS
Levi Duncan, USFS

The meeting was called to order by Clifford Brophy, Chair at 11:30 AM

The pledge of allegiance to the US Flag was recited

Welcome and self-introductions: completed

Minutes for the Meeting on July 27, 2023 were approved as submitted.

National Weather Service:

Summary of last 30 days shows that we had above normal moisture. There will be the same pattern this weekend. Should warm up the next week. So far, there are no strong signals of how the long-term weather looks.

Local Emergency Planning Committee (L.E.P.C.) Topics:

Reminder was giving to all that the pipelines do not have a local in-person training scheduled for Big Timber. They do have some online versions available. Dan reported that he was on one recently and there were only 4 people online taking the course.

BNSF distributed a list of HAZMAT related trainings that they have available. If anyone is needing training for that, let Cliff know and he can get the info for them.

Cliff reported that he has most of the responses back in reference to the LEPC membership verification email that was sent out. Some members have moved or changed positions so there will be a few changes.

Disaster and Emergency Services (D.E.S.) Topics:

The State DES office announced that they have three openings for District Field Officers. They will be selecting those soon. One of those will be filling our DFO opening since Kyle left and went to work for Lewis and Clack County E.M.

While Industrial Comm. was in town installing the Tin Can Hill repeaters, they looked at the link on Tin Can for the Monument Ridge repeater. The radios at the Tin Can site will not work so they will order a new radio for us. When they return for other work, they will install that new radio.

While TW Enterprise was at Tin Can servicing the generator, they discovered that the generator would not start. There was no propane in the tank. Oie Motor tested the system and discovered a leak in the line near the generator. They updated the line and repaired the leak. Once that was finished, they filled the tank for us. Generator worked fine.

Emergency 9-1-1 Topics:

Cliff reported that he is drafting the RFP's for the two-position radio console for our dispatch office. This will replace the Motorola MCC5500's that are there now.

Public Health Topics:

No updates

Fire Topics:

Forest Service reported that it's been nice and quiet in our area. There were two small fires but one of those went out on its own.

F.S. will be looking at burning part of the Derby Gulch area in the next month or so.

Local Fire held some joint training for Fire and EMS.

Public Works:

The county received a bid for the repair on the Voges Bridge project. We are waiting on scheduling now.

Mitigation Progress:

No progress reports for this month.

Comments from Members:

Sheriff reported that he is down to 3 people in dispatch.

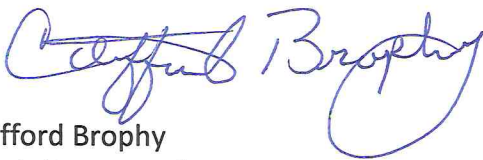
JV announced that the tanker car behind the courthouse will be drained on the 12th of September.

Select Next Meeting Date: Thursday, September 28, 2023 11:30 AM

Public Comments: None given

Adjourn: 12:10 pm

Submitted by



Clifford Brophy
Chair/Secretary/Treasurer