**EXECUTIVE BOARD** 

MEDINA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY **AUGUST 26th, 2015** 

Members Present:

Carl DeForest

Michael Costello

Matt Hiscock

Ralph Copley

Martha Catherwood

Ben Nau

Wally Sobcyk

Christina Fozio

**Brian Guccion** 

Conrad Sarnowski

**Bob Painter** 

Adam Friedrick

**Guests Present:** 

Anthony Strazzo

**Greg Smith** 

Jim Baird

**Tim Potts** 

**Rob Haas** 

Bill Thorn

Conrad called the meeting to order at 8:30am.

DeForest made a motion to approve the July minutes as written, seconded by Copley and approved by all.

Copley made a motion to approve RESOLUTION 2015-014, monthly operating bills, seconded by Painter and approved by all.

DeForest made a motion to approve RESOLUTION 2015-013, Appropriation increase, seconded by Copley and approved by all.

Catherwood made a motion to approve RESOLUTION 2015-015, Excess inventory, seconded by DeForest and approved by all.

Greg Smith, the Hazmat Team Leader, did a small presentation regarding his attendance at the Hazmat Conference this year. He told the board that he appreciated being able to attend and has been able to bring back some useful information to benefit the team.

Ben reported that there were no RFP's received for the new Hazmat truck. Both Bill and Adams suggested putting it back out for bid. Conrad asked if at some point they can just make the purchase if no one submits a bid and Thorn suggested changing the RFP a bit; he said they can sit down after the meeting to decide what to do. Ben moved to purchases for the Hazmat team; he stated the team has seven (7) O2 sensors that will need to be slowly replaced due to age; he requested the replacement of 2 sensors to include 2 calibration gases for a total of \$665.00. Copley made the motion to approve the purchase of the sensors and gases for \$665.00, seconded by Painter and approved by all.

Bill Thorne told the board that at the last TRT restructure meeting the prosecutor's office was researching if the activities of TRT could fall under EMA as part of their Preparedness activities. He said as of the last meeting their office was still trying to determine if they could just make the decision on that but Dean Holman is more comfortable with getting an opinion from the Attorney General. Catherwood stated that her understanding is no other counties function/operate that way; Bill said none in Ohio; he said the opinion might take 7 months but the group could still work on policy and procedures in the meantime. Copley made a motion to have the Prosecutors office receive an opinion from the Attorney General, seconded by Guccion and approved by all.

## **Directors Report:**

The appraisal for the 5497 River Styx property is complete and an offer is ready to be made to the property owner. The application for 5535 River Styx was submitted to Washington on August 25<sup>th</sup> to go through that competitive bid process with other grants nationwide, the State AUP Audit is complete and the only thing noted is that the F550 payment in 2013 was submitted 13 days late. Bill Ward stated it is not something to be concerned with but it needed to be noted since it was an AUP audit, the Homeland Security grants will be submitted by August 28<sup>th</sup> to the state agency.

Painter made a motion to move to Executive Session for personnel matters, seconded by Guccion; Roll Call Vote; Painter-Yes, Copley-Yes, Costello-Yes, Catherwood-Yes, Hiscock-Yes, DeForest-Yes, Sarnowski-Yes, Friedrick-yes, Guccion-Yes; Motion Carries.

A motion to move out of Executive Session was made by Adam, seconded by Guccion and approved by all.

Adams made the motion to approve Christina to offer the selected candidate, Matt Sturgeon the Emergency Management Technician 1 position with a starting wage of \$19.23 an hour with the ability to negotiate an additional .50 cents per hour, seconded by Guccion and approved by all.

Motion to adjourn at 9:42am