

**MEDINA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
EXECUTIVE BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 28th, 2019**

Members Present:

Buck Adams Brian Guccion
Ralph Copley Conrad Sarnowski
Michael Costello Colleen Swedyk
Carl Deforest

Personnel:

Christina Fozio
Claudia Judele
Wally Sobczyk
Matt Sturgeon

Guests:

Ryan Shackelford

Mr. Sarnowski called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

Mr. Copley motioned to approve the June 26, 2019 meeting minutes; seconded by Mr. Deforest, and approved.

Mr. Copley motioned to approve the July 2019 bills as Resolution 2019-11; seconded by Mr. Deforest, and approved.

Mr. Copley motioned to approve the August 2019 bills as Resolution 2019-12; seconded by Mr. Deforest, and approved.

Mr. Sobczyk requested the board's approval to purchase new doors from United Trailers for the structural collapse trailer for \$2272.00. The All-Hazards Advisory Committee resolved to recommend the purchase. Mr. Deforest motioned to approve the purchase; seconded by Mr. Guccion, and approved.

Mr. Sobczyk reported that the stripping is completed on the water trailer and the lighting installation in progress.

Director Fozio discussed the building project. She is presently looking at the former National Carpet Mill Outlet building on Lafayette Rd, which is 40,000 square feet. She walked through the building with Chief Haas, and with Don and Bill Simmons, the building's original builders.

Director Fozio reported that Representative Hambley is aware that we are going to apply for another State Capital Grant. She also recently consulted with Chris Randal and with Prosecutor Thompson. Prosecutor Thompson can create a purchase contract if it's decided to make an offer. Commissioner Swedyk suggested speaking to Treasurer Burke to find out the latest



valuation information on the building. Director Fozio also met with Dave Hall of the USDA about funding programs. The building that we are presently looking at will not qualify for USDA funding, but he suggested meeting with Senator Obhof regarding state funding. Montville Township Trustee Jeff Brandon provided a sample commercial building contract. Director Fozio also spoke to the health department about collaborating on the building project, although that wouldn't be a revenue source. Mr. Sarnowski motioned to move forward with purchasing a building; as seconded by Mr. Copley and approved.

Director Fozio presented a letter to the Board from herself, dated August 27th, 2019, regarding All-Hazards Team paging. Code Messaging pages to the All-Hazards Team groups are not presently being received from dispatch. The issue was first indicated on August 16, 2019 when Jonelle Meredith told Matt Sturgeon no one responded to a page for the Fire Investigation Task Force, and Matt Sturgeon reported it to the AHAC. Chief Haas met with Chief Deputy Baca and Captain Ross on August 27th to discuss the paging issues, which were not yet resolved. Mr. Guccion commented that the focus should be on making sure that first responders and residents are in a good spot. Director Fozio stated that Mr. Nau contacted Chris Gorzynski from Code Messaging about the problem. Complete testing for all the Code Messaging groups was not conducted when dispatch transitioned to the new CAD system. Mr. Nau and Mr. Gorzynski identified problems with the groups associated with EMA and determined a temporary solution. Dispatch then sent test pages to four of the eight groups in question with no verification if everyone received the page. Dispatch would not verify because they didn't want to get calls into dispatch. The email chain between Mr. Nau and Chris Gorzynski was also shared. Director Fozio expressed the necessity to receive verification from every group member in a test. The Board concurred that the most appropriate action to resolve this completely is for a board member to discuss the concern with Chief Deputy Baca and request proper testing. Mr. Deforest will meet with Chief Baca and follow up with everyone.

Mr. Copley motioned to adjourn at 9:37 AM; as second by Mr. Deforest, and approved.

