

**MEDINA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
EXECUTIVE BOARD  
MAY 28, 2014**

Members Present: Brian Guccion                      Chief Bob Painter              Conrad Sarnowski  
                        Steve Hambley                      Christina Fozio                      Matt Hiscock  
                        Martha Catherwood                      Ralph Copley  
                        Michael Costello

The meeting began at 8:30am

Ralph made a motion to approve the April minutes, seconded by Martha and unanimously approved by all.

Steve made a motion to approved RESOLUTION 2014-11, seconded by Ralph and unanimously approved by all.

Christina explained to the board that the Hazmat team needs new helmets-the current helmets are out dated. Wally supplied the board with quote of approximately 24 helmets at \$140.00 each. Brian made a motion to approve an overall purchase for new helmets not to exceed \$3,500.00, seconded by Martha and unanimously approved by all.

Christina told the board that the Ford Explorer has not been driven in quite some time and the Sheriff expressed interest in the vehicle. The board had discussion about transferring of property and it was decided to find out from Finance if property transfers over a certain dollar amount were allowed.

**DIRECTOR REPORT:**

Christina reported that EMA was successful in multiple Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grants. The agency was approved for an Operations Section Chief course to continue with our Medina County Incident Management Team training and we also received grant dollars to complete a Table-top exercise. She will write a match grant to PUCO for the needed 20% funds to offset the HMEP.

The May 12<sup>th</sup> rain event cost the jurisdictions within the county approximately 1.7 million in damages. We are still waiting for Public Assessment from Brunswick Hills and the Village of Chippewa Lake. The overall total is just for informational purposes since each jurisdiction receives assistance based on their individual annual budgets.

Interviews for the full time position will begin on May 29<sup>th</sup> and May 30<sup>th</sup>. Ralph asked how many resumes were received-there were maybe 15 but many were out of state. A letter was sent to second round applicants clarifying hourly wage and work duties. There will likely only be 3 interviews.

A COOP dispatch workshop is being organized with the cost being shared among participating centers. The workshop is not a typical FEMA course but rather a 3-day work session that will allow dispatch centers to have an actual plan when they complete the training. Having all the dispatch centers in a room to discuss planning face to face will allow them to have a good useable document.

Greg Smith-Assistance Fire Chief from Valley City has been appointed Hazmat Team Leader after an interview process with the Technical Rescue Sub-Committee.

There is one property now eligible for 100% buy-out under the FMA grant that was applied for (but unsuccessful with) last year.

The Emergency Services Conference is June 13-14<sup>th</sup>.

Christina let the board know that she will be out of the office from June 18-20<sup>th</sup>.

Conrad made a motion to adjourn at 9:15am, seconded by Brian and approved by all.