

**MEDINA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
EXECUTIVE BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
February 27, 2019**

Members Present:		Personnel:	Attendees:
Michael Costello	Bob Painter	Christina Fozio	Robert Haas
Carl Deforest	Conrad Sarnowski	Matt Sturgeon	
Brian Guccion	Colleen Swedyk	Ben Nau	
Matt Hiscock		Claudia Judele	

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

Mr. Deforest motioned to approve the minutes from the January 23, 2019 meeting as presented. Seconded by Mrs. Swedyk, and approved.

Mr. Guccion motioned to approve the bills as Resolution 2019-004. Seconded by Mr. Deforest, and approved.

Director Fozio presented Resolution 2019-005, which is to complete the annual budget transfers. Mr. Deforest motioned to approve Resolution 2019-005. Seconded by Chief Painter, and approved.

Mr. Nau presented two AHAC Recommendations to the Executive Board to purchase equipment.

The first is for the purchase of two outboard boat motor dollies for Swiftwater totaling \$1,296.00. The swift water team's boat motors will be mounted to these while in the trailer. They are presently laid on their sides in the trailer. Mr. Guccion motioned to approve the recommendation. Seconded by Mr. Deforest, and approved.

The second is for the purchase of fifteen Carhart Bib Overall/ Jackets for the Rope Team totaling \$3,000.00. These will be issued to the team members as protective equipment and for uniformed appearance. Mrs. Swedyk motioned to approve the recommendation. Seconded by Mr. Deforest, and approved.

Director Fozio gave the following update:

The office is working on a CRS program recertification for the National Flood Insurance Program. Medina County is the only county in Ohio with a CRS rating, and it's among the few local governments. There are approximately 200 NFIP policies in the County, and our CRS rating gets them a 5% discount.

Weber Murphy Fox has examined the potential sites for the building and has determined the site near the County Home and the area by the Lafayette Fire Station are not large enough. The consultant is examining another potential site in the technology park. Also, in working with WMF, Fozio may have identified an opportunity to collaborate with the University of Akron. She has a tentative meeting scheduled for that.

The new Mitigation Plan is presently available for public review.

There is Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant funding available. We will submit for a High Water Mark Campaign project, which is for flood hazard awareness. The project includes placing signs to identify historical flood areas.

The office is writing an application for the 2019 Homeland Security Grant. The project will be for a Mass Casualty/ Mass Fatality Exercise. The 2018 and 2017 grants are still open pending actions from the regional grant administrator.

Director Fozio expressed concern with the timeliness of the regional process.

She and Mr. Nau recently delivered training to a local scout troop. Director Fozio is considering becoming a merit badge counselor for the organization.

Mr. Sarnowski inquired about how the Medina County University Center was funded. Mr. Hutson advised that the county contributed \$1 million and UA built the building. Mr. Hutson supported the UA would likely partner in the project and the county is looking for an opportunity for records storage.

Director Fozio told the Board that Nexus gave notification of a \$100,000 grant award in support of the building project. She will submit for another State Local Government Capital Grant when we're eligible next year.

Mr. Hiscock inquired about hosting NIMS training in the county. He believes there is a need for it. Director Fozio will distribute a list of classes available for us to host.

Mr. Guccion asked the group about the status of active shooter training among police and fire. Some fire departments have purchased armor and conducted formal training, and other departments have not. Mr. Guccion is concerned about the hazard. He considering investing in armor for Sharon Township, while he's also considering training and communication needs.

Mr. Guccion motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 AM. Seconded by Chief Painter, and approved.

