Story County EMS Advisory Meeting

February 28th, 2011 at 7 PM
Story County EMA/EOC

Meeting opened at 1900 hrs. Those in attendance:

Lisa Whitaker- SCMC
Angie Geisinger- Colo
Susan Leatherman- MGMC
Betty Robb- Slater
Jon VanWyk- SCSO
Keith Anderson- McCallsburg
Katie Aronow- SCMC
Doug Hulshizer- Zearing
Dana Wipperman- Nevada
Melissa Spencer- EMA
Rodney Geisinger- Colo
Julie Klemme- Collins
Lorna Hamilton- MGMC
Barbara Rusch- Slater
Doris Hackett- Cambridge
Chuck Andres- SCMC
Chris Perrin- MGMC
Holly Lovig- Huxley
Keith Morgan- EMA

Approval of Agenda & Minutes

Motion to approve agenda by Colo with 2nd by Story Medical Center.

Amended minutes with spelling error on Greeley. Addition of Techentin for the last name of the new Mary Greeley paramedic. Clarification of tower fees, changed to $4.95 & $9.95. Motion to approve amended minutes by Slater with 2nd by Cambridge.

2011 Grant Reimbursement

Colo turned in three new EMT-B's for reimbursement at a cost of $2700.00 paid by the Colo Fire Department. Zearing advised they have 2 new EMT's and will get the documentation to the EMA office this week. Estimated cost of $1200.00 each. Huxley has one new EMT at an approximate cost of $900.00. Huxley will also send paperwork this week.

Total available grant dollars are $5319.00 with the 3% reduction from January of this year. It was decided by the group present to take the funds and share them equally between the departments who return documentation to the EMA office by May 31st, 2011. The EMA office will send out an email as one last reminder to all the department for reimbursement. Documentation required will be a copy of the check and the IDPH certification card. The EMA office will then coordinate with the Auditor's Office to have checks issued for the grant. The Auditor will need the information before June 15th.

EMA Morgan asked the group for the next grant year to consider targeted funding for those areas in the county that have the greatest need for capacity.

2012 Grant Process

Prevention *Preparedness* *Response* *Recovery* *Mitigation*

The 2012 EMS Training Grant application has been issued. It is due back to IDPH by June 20th, 2011. A Grant Committee was formed to write the grant. The Grant Committee are the following people: Susan Leatherman- MGMC, Betty Robb- Slater, Doris Hackett- Cambridge, Rod Geisinger- Colo, and Maile Timm- SCMC.

As part of the 2012 grant process IDPH is utilizing Sharepoint for documentation of the grant. Lisa Markley with the Auditor's Office has been the fiscal agent for the grant. She will need to be listed to have access to the Sharepoint program. Doris Hackett & Betty Robb were approved as the other two people to have access to the Sharepoint program. The EMA office will finish the application and send it to the Board of Supervisors for the Chair to sign off on and then return it to IDPH. The Sharepoint application is due by June 9th.

Emergency Management can no longer manage the training grant. The management needs to be moved back to the Association either by designation of one person or a committee to manage the grant. The person's appointed to the grant committee will take over the management of the grant.

Chris Perrin asked that a calendar be created for the 2012 grant so everyone would be aware of the timeline and process for the grant.

28E Agreement

EMA Spencer reported back to the group that the Fire Chief's present at the April 13th meeting are willing to add EMS language to cover EMS agencies under the 28E Agreement. The current 28E agreement for the Fire Departments will need to be revised with the dissolution of the Westory fire agency.

A question was posed on how the jurisdictions were decided for Fire, EMS and Ambulance. Emergency Management will attempt to get an answer from the Board of Supervisors on how those were established and bring it back to the group at the next meeting. Jon VanWyk mentioned there had been conversation at the State level about looking at setting jurisdictions by actual response time. He wasn't sure if that was still an issue but it might be worth looking at.

EMS Association By-Laws

Emergency Management is not going to be able to continue with drafting the EMS by-laws. A committee was formed to take up the by-laws. The committee is Doris Hackett- Cambridge, Lisa Whitaker- SCMC & Maile Timm- SCMC.

Training

Story Medical will be hosting a Two-Wheel Trauma class July 16th. There is a $20.00 registration fee. Lisa will have Maile email it out again when she returns from vacation.

June 18th Mercy College is hosting a Training Officer Class. Twink Dalton will be coming in as a speaker. That information will be available through the CIEMSD website. http://www.ciemsd.org

Mary Greeley will be hosting an EMT-B class starting August 25th that will end in December. Classes will be Monday & Thursday evenings with some Saturdays.

Mary Greeley will be hosting transition classes June 27th & 28th. These classed will cover the

requirements for FR's & EMT-B's to move to the new certification levels. Mary Greeley will have more of these classes coming in the future.

Mary Greeley will be hosting education on strokes. No date set yet but coming soon.

In July Mary Greeley will host a Cardiac Survival Awareness session. It will discuss cardiac survivability in the hypothermic state.

Mary Greeley will have their Trauma Review in August. Mary Greeley is a Level 3 trauma center.

Perrin asked the group if they have started conversations about the transition to the new responder levels. Iowa will be transitioning from 16 levels down to 4. In July the Advisory Council we be looking at the scope of practice and making some final decisions on issues still out there. There is no coast for the transition process. Advanced levels are the only ones being charged a fee for transition. Perrin asked agencies who had concerns or questions to contact their ambulance service and they could assist them. Hackett mentioned that SCMC is also working to incorporate the new requirements into the monthly training sessions they host.

June 15th Slater is hosting the SCMC training. The topic is slips, trips & falls.

Round Table

Slater- We have two that are starting a FR class next week. Will be nice to have some younger members coming on board.

Zearing- We have been busy with medical calls. We not have 2 new EMT-B's, Doug Hulshizer and Diane Hobart.

Collins- We are now up to four members on our department.

Colo- We have three new EMT-B's. We are still responding with Collins as needed.

Mary Greeley- We participated in the National Disaster Management System exercise held in Des Moines. Mary Greeley hospital is part of the NDMS system and therefore could receive patients in the event of a large scale disaster or event. Very good education for our hospital.
Mary Greeley will also be taking delivery of a new Chevy ambulance next month.
The hospital now has a HAM radio as part of their NDMS redundancy.
Perrin mentioned they have lots of posters that had been used several years ago as a recruitment tool. The return information cards would have to be taken off but they still could be used. If a department would like them let him know.

Story Medical- There is a great opportunity over the summer to look at recruiting new members. Almost all communities have some type of summer celebration. Would be a good opportunity for agencies to set up booths and get the word out to recruit new members. Also the Association could look at doing other fundraising as the grant funds are decreasing each year to cover the costs of EMT reimbursement.

SCSO- A CAD vendor has been selected and contracts have been signed. The timeline for implementation of the new CAD system will be spring/summer of 2012. Part of the new CAD system

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will be mobile data terminals. Jon will check with Connie Hambly- 911 Coordinator to see if there are funds still set aside to assist departments with the cost of the software.

Cambridge- We have one EMT-B waiting to finish testing and we have one we are still working to get reinstated.

McCallsburg- We had a car vs. train where everyone walked away.

Nevada- Nevada will be opening bids for $47,000.00 worth of extrication equipment.

Huxley- Things are going good. We did have an incident where a fire truck was rolled into the ditch. Everyone was fine and the truck wasn't damaged.

EMA- Spencer reported a lot of the EMA time has been spent bring the new Coordinator Keith Morgan up to speed. EMA is taking a hard look at core capabilities and requirements of the office. There will some positive changes coming as Keith settles into the office. We still have a couple cases of gloves in our closet from the 2010 grant. Please take them as you leave.

Motion to adjourn by SCMC with 2nd by Colo. Meeting adjourned at 20:35hrs.

Respectfully submitted by:

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