



**POLK COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

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**MINUTES**

The Polk County Emergency Management Commission met on **Wednesday, February 17th, 2010 at 1300 hrs** at the **Polk County Comm. Center, 6023 NE 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, IA.**

**I. Call to Order at 1300 hours**

**II. Roll Call/Introductions**

**A. Members**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Alleman   | <input type="checkbox"/> Des Moines    | <input type="checkbox"/> Pleasant Hill       | <input type="checkbox"/> Urbandale       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altoona   | <input type="checkbox"/> Elkhart       | <input type="checkbox"/> Polk City           | <input type="checkbox"/> West Des Moines |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ankeny    | <input type="checkbox"/> Grimes        | <input type="checkbox"/> Polk County BOS     | <input type="checkbox"/> Windsor Heights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bondurant | <input type="checkbox"/> Johnston      | <input type="checkbox"/> Polk County Sheriff |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clive     | <input type="checkbox"/> Mitchellville | <input type="checkbox"/> Runnells            |  |

**B. Staff – Mumm, Reelitz, and Davis**

**C. Guests/Public – Major Len Murray, DMPD and Iowa Type III Incident Management Team**

**III. Approval of Agenda – Commission Action:** moved by Krohse to approve the agenda as distributed. Seconded by Cox. Motion passed unanimously.

**IV. Public Hearing – 2010/2011 Fiscal Year Budget Proposal – Public hearing opened at 1301 hours. No public present to speak for or against Public hearing closed at 1302 hours.**

**V. Invited Guests or Speakers – Major Leonard Murray, Incident Commander, Iowa Type III IMT. Incident Management Team grant currently administrated by the Iowa HSEMD. IMT had difficulty knowing where allocated funds are and who was managing the grant. It is being proposed that Polk County Emergency Management Commission be the grant manager and fiscal agent. The IMT is supportive of Polk County EMC taking this role. Team activation under the Governor’s authority would be reimbursed by the state, not with grant funds. Grant would cover equipment, training, exercise type purchases. Commission Action:** moved by Cox, seconded by TeKippe for approval of Execution of Agreements between Polk County Emergency Management Commission and HSEMD. Motion passed unanimously.

**VI. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – September 9, 2009 Commission Action:** moved by Phillips, seconded by Whetstone to approve the minutes from September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 as distributed. Motion passed unanimously.

**Proudly serving the communities of:**

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## VII. Reports

### A. Administration and Finance

#### 1. Grants Management

- a. Proposal to approve fiscal agent grant agreements for Iowa's Incident Management Team for HSGP years 2007, 2008, and 2009.

#### 2. 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget – to be discussed under New Business

### B. Hazard Identification, Risk Assessment, and Capability Assessment

### C. Resource Management

1. **Resource Management Database** – Assistant Coordinator is working on NIMS Resource Typing project. ESF#4: Firefighting, ESF#13: Law Enforcement and Security, and ESF#8: Public Health and Medical Services to be completed this calendar year.

### D. Planning

#### 1. Part A – Operations

Current state status is compliant. Base Plan to be distributed for review and adoption by Commission in February. – **Attachment #1. Commission Action: Moved by Roe, seconded by Krohse to approve the Base Plan. Motion passed unanimously.**

#### 2. Part B – Mitigation Strategy

Current state status is compliant.

#### 3. Part C - Recovery

Current state status is compliant.

#### 4. Emergency Management Commission Strategic Plan

Draft strategy exhibit and discussion will take place in February. **Attachment #2. Commission Action: moved by Phillips, seconded by Holt to approve the Strategic Plan. Motion passed unanimously.**

#### 5. Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan (PDM)

Review of communities that have adopted and those that have not. – Peggy **Will be removed from future agendas.**

### E. Direction, Control, and Coordination

1. **National Incident Management System (NIMS)** – no scheduled changes from federal government in 2010

### F. Damage Assessment

#### 1. Damage Assessment Team (DAT)

Staff is coordinating with local public works departments on assembling a Damage Assessment Committee as part of a possible Polk County Public Works Association.

### G. Communications and Warning

#### 1. Communications Upgrade RFP

The Emergency Management Agency continues to participate in a process along with the Sheriff's Office, WestCom, EMS, Fire, and Law Enforcement disciplines to seek a Request for Proposal to upgrade the Polk County and WestCom communications capabilities.

#### 2. Communications Systems SOPs Developed

Standard Operating Procedures have been developed for the following topics: Land Mobile Radios, ARES, Conference Calling System, NOAA NWR Messaging, United Way 211, GETS, Cellular Telephones, and Code Red. These SOPs will be reviewed as part of the ESF#2: Communications review later this year.

**Staff Recommendation:** Discuss and adopt countywide siren activation policy and companion documents. – **Attachment #3**

**Commission Action:** Moved by Heckman, seconded by Mundt to adopt the policy with the severe thunderstorm warning with 70+ mph winds included in the siren activation. Motion passed 11 ayes and 1 nay.

## H. Operations and Procedures

### 1. Polk County Emergency Operations Center (EOC)

**Background:** Construction has begun. Updates and photos posted to the Agency Facebook page. <http://tinyurl.com/ya4osdq>

### 2. 2010 Flood Outlook

**Background:** Staff continues to closely monitor flood outlook and will be participating in joint meeting with NWS, HSEMD, and USACE on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Staff is assembling a countywide Incident Action Plan which will include a preliminary incident objectives, organizational chart, communication plan, and resource inventory. Once the draft is complete staff will be scheduling an IAP briefing to discuss additional input as well as questions and answer session. This will take place in early March.

## I. Training

- 1. Emergency Management Program Development Course-** Coordinator described a two-day course that is offered to emergency management officials in Iowa to covers statutory and grant related responsibilities. Executive Committee asked if this course could be condensed and offered to elected and appointed officials in Polk County as a leadership develop opportunity. Agency intern has drafted the course and Coordinator will review for deployment to the Commission in early spring 2010.

## J. Exercises

- 1. Warming Center Activation Workshop –** Workshop scheduled for February 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss and begin to draft a countywide warming center activation SOP as part of the Comprehensive Emergency Plan. This workshop will take place from 1000-1200 hours at Polk Co. River Place, Conf. Rm 3A.

## K. Public Education and Information

## L. Homeland Security

- 1. DMPD Homeland Security Bureau –** Metro Advisory Committee has asked Polk County EMA to work with DMPD (Major Murray) to update the 28E agreement that is scheduled to expire in summer 2010 and prepare the involved jurisdictions for adoption of the amended agreement.

**Staff Update:** Review briefing provided by DMPD to the MAC and public safety officials in December. Coordinator updated a draft agreement and provided to MAC as requested in late December 2009. Funding exhibit to be reviewed and distributed by the Metro City/County Manager's Group.

## VIII. Old Business

### A. Automated Notification System

**Background:** Contract approved and signed with Code Red to provide automated notification system and service.

**Staff Update:** System installed and SOPs distributed to PSAPs and Public Health. Map accuracy checks have been completed and staff is currently working on populating pre-established call lists.

**Commission Recommendation:** Drop this item from Old Business and direct staff to continue to monitor implementation.

### B. Hospital Status System

**Background:** Contract approved and signed with EMSsystems to provide real-time status availability of hospital resources to hospitals, EMS, and communications centers.

**Staff Update:** System installed and SOPs distributed to PSAPs, hospitals, and EMS.

**Commission Recommendation:** Drop this item from Old Business and direct staff to continue to monitor implementation.

### C. PDM Planning – Attachment #3

**Background:** Kickoff meeting, public meetings, and update meeting have been held. Draft portions of the plan have been periodically submitted to state and federal approving authorities for courtesy reviews. Draft plan was distributed to Commission Members in early May for review by jurisdictions.

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve and adopt Countywide Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan and direct staff to submit the plan for official review by Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (Region VII).

**Commission Action (May 2009):** Moved by TeKippe, seconded by Mundt to approve plan and proceed with plan submission to HSEMD and FEMA. Motion passed unanimously.

**Staff Update:** Plan approved by HSEMD and FEMA. Need to discuss with Commission an approach to receive adoption resolutions from all jurisdictions in Polk County. Propose that all jurisdictions adopt the plan by October 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Commission Action:** Moved by Cox, seconded by TeKippe to ask communities to adopt the plan by October 14, 2009. **Discussion:** A web link will be sent to Commission members that will include the ability to download the entire plan. Sample plan adoption resolution provided to communities as well. Motion passed unanimously.

**Staff Update:** All but two local resolutions adopting the plan have been completed. Staff will continue to work with remaining jurisdictions to get 100% approval.

**Commission Recommendation:** Drop this item from Old Business and direct staff to continue to monitor implementation.

**D. Commission Appointments** – Each year in January the Agency requests member jurisdictions appoint/re-appoint members to the Polk County Emergency Management Commission. Letters of request and appointment forms will be mailed in January. Status Report from Peggy.

## IX. New Business

**A. 2010/2011 Proposed Budget- Attachment #4** Proposed budget will be presented and staff available for questions and recommendations.

**Commission Action:** Moved by TeKippe, seconded by Mundt to adopt budget as presented Motion passed unanimously.

**B. Contract Employee Sharing with 911** – The Polk County Sheriff's Office (911 Board supported through the PSAP funding) and Polk County Emergency Management have preliminarily discussed the opportunity to share a contracted employee. Costs for the contract would be split equally between the two agencies. The scope work for the contract would include 50% time and effort to support emergency management activities such as planning, training, exercise support; and 50% support for 911 administration activities such as budget preparation, secretarial support to the 911 Board, planning, training, and equipment procurement/logistics. Funding for this position on the emergency management side would come from Emergency Management Performance Grant funding. Currently projected to be \$39,000 in 2010. Expected total cost of the contract would be \$60,000 (\$30,000 EMA and \$30,000 E911).

**Executive Committee Discussion:** Directed staff to investigate how the county views contracted personnel compared to full time equivalents (FTE).

**Executive Committee Action:** Moved by Phillips to approve staff in moving forward with part-time contract employee and with this included in budget authorizing staff to move forward with developing the RFP for the contract and bring it back to Commission for consideration. Seconded by TeKippe with friendly amendment to establish public hearing on the proposed 2010-2011 budget on February 17<sup>th</sup>. Phillips agreeable to friendly amendment by TeKippe. Motion passed unanimously.

**X. Other Business**

**A. Nomination Committee** – committee to be established by Chair (TeKippe Chair the Nomination Committee) for elections to be held in March according to the bylaws of the Commission. However, Commission is not scheduled to meet again until May. To be discussed at a special Commission meeting in March.

**XI. Upcoming Events**

- A. EM Commission Mtg. – February 17<sup>th</sup> at 1300 hrs – Communications Ctr
- B. Presidents Day Holiday – Offices Officially Closed
- C. Multidisciplinary Meeting – February 18<sup>th</sup> at 1300 hours – 1914 Carpenter Ave., DSM
- D. Warming Center Activation Workshop – February 19<sup>th</sup> at 1000 hours – 2309 Euclid Ave. DSM
- E. Region 1 Homeland Security Board Mtg. – March 5<sup>th</sup> at 1300 hrs. – Racom Bldg. Marshalltown, IA
- F. EM Executive Committee Mtg. – March 10<sup>th</sup> at 1100 hours – Polk Co. Communications Ctr.

**XII. Programs/Presentations** – none scheduled

**XIII. Adjourn** – **Commission Action:** Moved by Phillips, seconded by Krohse to adjourn. Motion passed at 1420 hours.