

EMA Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – August 29, 2022 – Commissioners Meeting Room

Meeting called to order at 8:17am.

Attended by: Bill Morr, Steve Engleking, Tracy Harker, Alicia Milliman, Logan Ison, Jeremy Hoover, Ben Parish, David Billows, Terry Martin, and Jessica Price.

Old Business

Bill Morr gave a District 3 Report. Not a lot going on currently. EMA Coalition held a leadership forum as our training last quarter about the McCray Fire in Kendallville with the Mayor, Police Chief, Fire Chief, and EMA. It went well and another is scheduled for this quarter about the Whitley County storm damage from this year.

Bill Morr updated on current grants.

- SHSP 2019 – Command Truck – Grant extended until August 31, 2022
- HMEP 2022 – Paying for Bill and 3 firefighters to attend IERC Conference
- SHSP 2022 – Cert Training and Equipment (applied)
- SHSP 2022 – Morgue Trailer (applied)

Ben Parish made a motion to approve the minutes from May 31, 2022. Tracy Haraker seconded the motion and all approved.

New Business

Bill Morr gave an update on the command truck. Have truck in our possession. Working with Tri-State Customs and Bill's Towing in Angola to install helper springs and sway bar.

Bill Morr gave a report on the CERT Conference that he attended recently. Looking forward to getting it going in our county.

Bill Morr scheduled the Haz-Mat Training with Kendallville, Auburn, and Angola Haz-Mat Teams for the morning of Saturday, September 10, 2022 at the 4h fairgrounds. So far 8 people registered but several others have expressed interest.

IERC Conference September 21-24 (Grant)

EMAI Conference October 18-21 (LEPC)

Cross Borders Meeting in Elkhart on September 20.

Recently purchased a response trailer. Will be looking at purchasing equipment after September 10 training so that I have the opportunity to look at the equipment that local Haz-Mat teams recommend.

Logan Ison advised that Parkview is updating their radio system to have everyone on 800 mhz.

Tracy Harker, Jeremy Hoover, and Jessica Price spoke about the Civil Unrest Exercise held in Angola earlier this month. All thought it went well. They commented on the drones that were used by Fort Wayne Police.

Jessica Price mentioned that the Health Departments have been asked to include Radiation Annexes in their plans.

Steve Engleking made a motion to adjourn at 8:43. Tracy Harker seconded the motion and all approved.