

SUMMIT COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

April 18, 2019

The meeting of the Summit County Emergency Management Executive Committee (EMEC) was called to order on Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 10:00 am in the Summit County Emergency Operations Center (EOC), Akron Municipal Building at 166 South High Street, Akron, Ohio 44308.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bill Goncy motioned for the approval of the February 21, 2019 minutes with Ed Diebold as the second. Motion was carried by voice vote. Introductions were made.

II. CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Correspondence Sent and Received

Bill Holland reviewed the correspondence with the committee (see attached).

- Survey results from the University of Akron – Traffic Reformation – Looking Beyond 2020.
- Information on the FY19 NSGP Grant
- US Department of Homeland Security FEMA approval of the Summit County Hazard Mitigation Plan

III. OLD BUSINESS

Tommy Smoot spoke on the Mitigation Plan. FEMA has approved and legislation will need to be adopted for all the communities.

Tommy Smoot discussed the 2019 EMEC Grant. There is \$54,100.00 available in funding. The committee decided to forward the \$54,100.00 to the SORT board to decide upon distributing the funding.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

None

V. EMA AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Emergency Management Agency Report

- Tommy Smoot reported the Fire Chief's Association adopted plain language radio and fire ground communication.
- Tim Gemind reported on incidents-

- Hazmat – March VIP visit
- Water – SONAR to Smithfield Twp for search & evidence recovery mission at the request of the FBI in March
- Water – SONAR to Marlboro Twp to search for missing person
- Tim Gemind reported some Hazmat personnel went through a Tox-Med certification class. Hazmat also had some participants attend “Masters of Gas Detection” class.
- Tim Gemind reported TROT partnered with Metro SWAT for GPS/Missing person searches and basic rope rescue.
- Tim Gemind reported WATER did their annual swift water rescue refresher in the Cuyahoga River.
- Tim Gemind reported IMAT did a functional exercise with the University of Akron Police Department and the University’s Emergency Operations Group.
- Tim Gemind stated with the assistance of a grant through the Summit County Health District, a new \$87,000 AreaRae detection and air monitoring system was purchased for the Hazmat branch.
- Tim Gemind stated the new Hazmat equipment truck has been ordered and in the pre-build phase with a scheduled delivery for this fall.
- Tim Gemind stated all SORT 2018 CE hours have been turned in, compiled, finalized and forwarded to the SCSORT Executive Board.
- Jena Stasik stated she has submitted FY SHSP applications.
- Jena Stasik discussed the upcoming trainings including the upcoming active shooter training.
- Alex Burt reported she has been updating school plans. Alex Burt and Tommy Smoot also met with the Interfaith Council who are working on an Emergency Preparedness workshop.

Summit County Public Health

Donna Skoda reported the flu outbreak is winding down. This year there was a higher than usual amount of death. In Ohio, every child that died lived with a smoker.

Donna Skoda stated SCPH is preparing for mosquito season. Public Health prefers to larva side.

Donna Skoda reported there is an increase in the number of cases of Hepatitis A. First responders have requested to have Hepatitis A shots. If your department would desire to have be vaccinated, please contact Summit County Public Health.

Donna Skoda also reported they are continuing to monitor for measles.

800 MHz Radio System Report

Mike Szabo stated the final phase of project is decommissioning the old sites. The old equipment is approved for e-cycling. There will be an upcoming SIEC meeting May 1st and a vendor/radio programmer meeting May 30th to update on MARCs programming. There is more traffic on the network from outside of the network but it is not impeding the network.

Citizen Corp

CERT training was held March 2nd and 9th at Copley Middle School. There will be another training in the fall, 2019.

VI. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Tommy Smoot reported ODNR had a meeting with the local surrounding public safety agency in the Portage Lakes area. They also discussed the renovations to the North Reservoir Dam.

VII. Adjournment

Ed Diebold motioned to adjourn the meeting with Bill Goncy as the second. The motion carried by voice vote. The next meeting will be June 13, 2019 at 10:00 am.