SUMMIT COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

December 15, 2022

The Summit County Emergency Management Executive Committee (EMEC) meeting was called to order on Thursday, December 15, 2022, at 9:00 am in the EMA Conference Room.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Heidi Swindell motioned for the minutes to approve August 18, 2022, with Lori Pesci as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

II. CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Correspondence Sent and Received

Bill Holland discussed the correspondence.

- Summit County Engineer grant award from FEMA for the Flood Risk Reduction Project for $360,000 with a local cost share of $40,000 for the Wye Road Project, which is part of the 2018 Summit County Hazard Mitigation Plan
- ODNR regarding the safety rules
- EAP for Silver Creek Dam (will need to follow up)

III. OLD BUSINESS

Angela Robinson stated we completed all three EMEC grant projects below in September.

- The SORT Trailer Project - SORT Trailer with graphics, bed liner, and accessories
- Metro Crash Project- CDR 900 Kit, Toughbook, laptop, and accessories
- The South Summit Fire Investigation Team - Fire Investigation Equipment, cameras, jumpsuits, and cloud storage

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Tommy Smoot stated beginning in 2023, the EMEC grant would no longer be offered.

V. EMA AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Emergency Management Agency Report

- Tommy Smoot reported:
    - Welcome to our new EMEC members.
    - Participated in the full-scale event Active Shooter exercise on Wednesday, October 5, 2022, at Twinsburg High School
    - Attended the Gorge Dam Stakeholder Group meeting on October 31, 2022
    - We hosted and instructed 3 EMA Elected Official Workshops in 2022

- Will be serving on the 2023 Revere School District active shooter exercise in 2023
- Will participate in the NECO Region 5 exercise on January 20, 2023
- Will participate in the ODH Statewide Radiation Surge Tabletop on February 17, 2023
- Attended the 20222 University of Akron Emergency Management Advisory Board Meeting
- We will be adopting the Summit Ready Program in February 2023; look for an email with additional information.
- Adopting the IPAWS plan in February 2023

- Tim Gemind reported on the following:
  - Hazmat Branch retained Type I status on November 30
  - Gained additional personnel
  - Chief Natko was appointed as the Akron Fire Chief
  - District Chief Duber was also promoted and will have to step down as the water Branch Director.
  - Training is ongoing
  - Everyone has submitted all their training schedules for 2023
  - Received six classes from grants for Hazmat training
  - Put a Scuba replacement trailer in-service at Valley Station 1
  - One hazmat incident in Stow at Hazardous Waste Facility
  - There were some minor repairs to the equipment

- Faylin Thurn reported on the following:
  - We hosted the ICS 300/400 in December at the Akron Public Library; it was well attended. We will also be holding ICS 300/400 in the spring.
  - PER-907 Law Enforcement Response to Suicide Bombing 1/12/23
  - Summit County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Meeting #1 1/19/23
  - Cyber-Terrorism for Region 5 LE 2/7/23
  - Cybersecurity for Elected Officials 4/20/23
  - Summit County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Meeting #2 5/18/23
  - LASER Class for LE at InfoCision Stadium 5/23-25/23
  - Behavioral Threat Assessment Fall, 2023
  - NTSB – Fall, 2023
  - Skywarn – Fall, 2023
  - Finished the Akron SWAT project
  - Mobile Surveillance Tower is en route and is a Region 5 asset; This may be stored at Station 4.

- Angela Robinson reported the following:
  - Angela, Tommy, and Faylin submitted documentation for the FY17 SHSP OEMA monitoring visit
  - Quarterly reporting for FY21, FY20, and FY19 and single audits complete.
  - The master inventory audit will be submitted in January 2023.
  - Munis training, G91, elected official training and Excel 1 & 2 completed
  - FY22 SHSP –8 projects totaling $636,612.00 were awarded by Ohio EMA out of 16 applications. This year the grant was competitive.
  - The FY23 SHSP guidance is expected to be released in the spring of 2023. Tommy will send out the grant announcement, so be on the lookout for that.

- We were awarded $55,050 for 3 trainings which is an 80% reimbursable grant, 20% match for the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant.
- We were awarded the FY21 EMPG ARPA for $73,650.00, a 50% reimbursable grant.
- We were awarded the FY23 SAR ($9334) and the FY23 SAR Water ($8083). Angela has contacted the team leads to find out what needs to be purchased.
- We were also awarded the FY22 PUCO grant of $36,625.00, which is 100% reimbursable for Hazmat. Procurement has started for this for 6 trainings.
- FY22 Hazardous Mitigation Grant for $25,000 ($22,500 Federal, $2500 local match). We are in the process of beginning this grant.
- FY21 SHSP has begun procurement for all projects. We have until 12/31/24 to complete it.
- FY20 SHSP, we are working on 28 projects, with 23 projects completed. The performance period ends on March 31, 2023.
- FY19 SHSP, all the projects have been completed.
- Completed the FY21 EMPG grant and waiting on the new grant to roll out.

- Joseph St. John reported the following:

PPE

- 5,111,646 pieces of PPE distributed
- 653 Organizations reached
- 1960 allocations completed

DC PPE

- 331 requests/orders since 7/2020
- Order link still open to request supplies from

Mitigation

- 2023/2024 Plan update in progress
  - Put together stakeholder lists; sent emails out to gain participation
  - Involves two public meetings on January 19 and May 18, 2 sessions each day
  - Plan to have update complete and sent to state/FEMA by Oct/Nov 2023
    - Needs approval by FEMA by mid-April 2024
- Current Amendments
  - Submitted amendment for Akron Water Supply drought study
  - Working on HHPD inclusion in the plan for an ODNR amendment

StormReady

- Became certified in October; held a short ceremony with NWS in council chambers
- Have a metal sign posted on Main St outside office
- Up for renewal in 4 years

Training

- Senior/Elected official's training in October in council chambers
  - Similar offering for Cuyahoga Falls in November
  - Feedback was good/appreciated – people are glad to know what we provide

EMA App

- Last requested download numbers: iOS: 969; Android: 558
- Running smooth, no issues
- Still supplying handouts with app download info to increase download numbers

Summit County Public Health

Donna Skoda stated Mpox would no longer be considered an emergency in January. There was a total of 17 cases in Summit County.

The measles outbreak in Columbus is continuing to get larger. 2 children from Summit County were exposed. They are watching this closely.

They provided monitoring for an international traveler and passed their Ebola quarantine period.

COVID, RSV and flu are being monitored. Influenza A is the prdeominate strain. The big worry is the flu. We are seeing increase in death and hospitalization among the elderly with COVID. Donna stated the flu vaccine is a good match this year.

Donna stated if test kits are needed, please let her know. They are testing (PCR) for all public employees (and family) for RSV, influenza, and COVID from 8-9 every morning. Lori Pesci asked if they would provide the results for documentation.

800 MHz Radio System Report

Lori Pesci stated they are working through the process of dual authentication.

Citizen Corp

Tommy Smoot stated they are working on getting back to in-person training next year.

VI. GOOD OF THE ORDER

None

VII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Lori Pesci with Deb Matz as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

The next meeting will be on February 16, 2023, at 10:00 am.