

# **SUMMIT COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

April 27, 2023

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The Summit County Emergency Management Executive Committee (EMEC) meeting was called to order on Thursday, April 27, 2023, at 10:00 am via Zoom.

## **I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Goncy motioned for the minutes to approve February 16, 2023, with Heidi Swindell 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.

- The Ohio Department of Public Safety letter on the Barberton Wolf Creek Dam upgrade. Federal funding has been awarded to the City of Barberton for \$877,500 – and the local cost share is \$97,500.
- Letter from the Ohio Department of Public Safety regarding the FY17 LE SHSP and SHSP monitoring visit by Ohio EMA; they found no recommendations/corrective actions were needed.

## **III. OLD BUSINESS**

- None

## **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

None

## **V. EMA AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT:**

Emergency Management Agency Report

- Tommy Smoot reported:

Exercise

- CAK Tabletop exercise is scheduled for May 15, 2023
- Facilitated the Cuyahoga Falls Tornado Tabletop - April 3, 2023
- County Chefs - ASHER Plan and Tabletop Exercise - April 11, 2023
- Akron ASHER Training -Week of May 15, 2023
- Serving on the planning team for Revere School District Active Shooter - August 18, 2023, and Mogadore ASHER drill June 6, 2023

- Summit County Sheriff's Office and Cuyahoga Falls Blossom – April 19, 2023
- Summit County Sheriff's Office and Cuyahoga Falls Blossom MCI/ASHER - May 25, 2023
  - Need Victims - 7 to 10 pm -
  - Confirmation of participation and additional details will be sent out by the end of business on May 11.

#### Meetings

- EMAO and Ohio Fire Chiefs Association - Legislative Day - March 7, 2023
- Meeting with Cuyahoga Valley National Park Service Parks - Solar Eclipse planning
- NE Sector Meeting - NWS Cleveland - April 21, 2023
  - State-Funded Mitigation Program
    - It has been a goal in the State of Ohio Hazard Mitigation Plan for many years to develop a state-funded mitigation grant program.
    - The proposal made it into the Governor's budget and will be considered by the state legislature this spring.
    - FEMA has shifted the priorities for the federal mitigation grant programs. Creating a state mitigation grant program will allow Ohio to implement projects we have traditionally funded and identified in local hazard mitigation plans.
  - Discussion on the TACS
    - Reorganizing/charters are being updated
    - Hazmat- released list of validated teams throughout the state
    - SAR- being rebuilt, RTF reorganization
    - Water- updating
    - New TACs
      - UAS Drone
  - Solar Eclipse
    - There is a potential to receive reimbursement for emergency response.
  - State Budget
    - Discussed projects that look to receive funding from the budget
    - Discussed East Palestine train derailment in Columbiana County
  - Small Business Administration Reform
    - SBA is revising its approach to providing disaster assistance, including expediting timeframes and increasing the number of eligible losses a disaster survivor can borrow.

#### Training

- Elected and Senior Officials CISA Cybersecurity Training – April 20. Great attendance and overview
- We will host an NTSB for a Family Assistance Center Workshop on September 26-27 to share what resources are available with the Family Resource Center.
- Tim Gemind reported on the following:
  - AFD Lt. Dave Tenney promoted to Water Rescue Deputy Director
  - Technical Rescue Incident to Warren Township in Trumbull County.
    - A tree fell on the house, with a person trapped; the individual was removed before our arrival.
  - Monthly training ongoing for all branches
  - Technical Rescue and Water Rescue joint Swift water refresher training in the Cuyahoga River was a big success earlier this month.
  - Discussions taking place about adding a Drone Branch to SCSORT

- Angela Robinson reported the following:
  - FY23 SHSP – Tommy emailed an announcement on April 7 with a 4/24/23 deadline. We applied for six applications with a value of approximately \$1.1 million.
  - FY22 SHSP- 8 projects awarded totaling \$636,612.00 are still on hold.
  - FY21 SHSP- 9 projects, four complete and five in progress. We are working with OEMA to get approval to expend the remaining grant funds.
  - FY20 SHSP- Completed 16/16 projects. The performance period ended on 3/31/23
  - FY23 SAR Stipend (\$9,334) and FY23 SAR- Water (\$8,083.00). Everything has been ordered, but there are supply chain issues. We did request a grant extension for both grants and were granted until 7/31/23 to complete.
  - FY22 Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO Grant)- for three specialized hazmat training. The team completed all three trainings as of last week. Angela is in the process of completing the paperwork for reimbursement.
  - FY22-24 HMEP Grant- these trainings are in May, June, and August. We were awarded \$55,050, 80% reimbursable, and 20% cost share. The performance period ends on 9/29/23.
  - FY22-24 HMEP Year 2 – The grant application was submitted on 3/9/23 for four specialized hazmat trainings that will help with identification, staging, mass care, evacuation and re-entry, and decontamination in case of a train derailment. 80%, 20% 52,950.00 total. 42,360.00 80%-reimbursement and 20% \$10,590.00.
  - FY22 Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant to update the Hazard Mitigation Plant Grant. I am working diligently with Tommy and Joseph to gather information for grant reporting and reimbursement requests. Award adjustments have been made based on the total cost of the project- The grant award is \$21,670.00; \$19,503.00 reimbursable with a local match of \$2,167.00. The first drawn-down request has been reimbursed.
  - FY21 EMPG- completed grant total award amount of \$227,632.00.
  - FY21 EMPG- ARPA \$73,650.00 Award- Cash request is pending with OEMA. The grant will be completed once reimbursement is made.
  - FY21 EMPG Supplemental- OEMA approached an opportunity to receive EMPG remaining funds. We could apply because we effectively used all FY21 EMPG regular and ARPA. We had around \$42,000.00 in expenses; we will receive a 50% reimbursement if approved.
  - FY22 EMPG- Award amount is \$437,672.00- 50% reimbursable. Grant assurances, grant agreement, and misc. documents have been submitted to OEMA.
  - Quarterly reporting for the period ending 3.31.23 has been submitted to OEMA.
  - EMPG Cash Supplemental Request for the period ending 3.31.23 has been submitted to OEMA.
  - Completed OEMA trainings, OH 318 Mitigation Planning and G358 Evacuation and Re-entry

- We have been asked to participate in this year's Copley Safety Town; Maggie Surber will represent our office, and she will debut the new Safety Town video will be shown.
- Joseph St. John reported the following:
  - PPE
  - Mitigation
    - 2023/2024 Plan update in progress
    - Tracking down a few remaining communities for input
      - The main focus is the previous plan project status
    - The contractor is working on incorporating the risk assessment items for the plan
    - The next public/stakeholder meeting is on May 18, same locations as in January
  - Summit Ready
    - Working to finalize participant packets to send out to communities and organizations that have submitted an initial application
    - Separating community and organization packets to make the checklist easier to understand
    - Seven communities/organizations have submitted an initial application
  - DPSC
    - Participated in the shelter and mass care subcommittee yesterday
    - EMS Subcommittee met on 3/30
      - Presentation on regional MCI planning
      - Discussion on current triage/tracking
      - Discussion on Mercy Hospital power outage and best practice outcomes
      - The upcoming meeting will cover the 2021 MCI plan for newer members
  - EMA App
    - Working with the vendor to refresh the app and update the layout of app features
    - Download numbers: 1,731 as of 4/26
  - Crisis Track
    - Provided refresher training to IMAT on system use for March training
  - Resources
    - Finalizing updates to the county drone database created last year; we saw an increase from 10 to 17 departments
  - PPE
    - 5,781,481 distributed (Up from 5,145,166 last EMEC)
    - 653 Organizations, 1989 allocations
    - Main distributions to LTC partners
  - DC PPE
    - 369 requests/orders since 7/2020
  - Training/Exercises
    - EMAO solar eclipse webinar
    - Cuyahoga Falls TTX

- ODNR Dam Training

Summit County Public Health

None

800 MHz Radio System Report

No updates

Citizen Corp

Tommy Smoot stated they hope to return to in-person training in the fall. Jen Smith will attend a train-the-trainer, and we need to update our training material.

## VI. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Bill Holland stated they had a tabletop exercise at Blossom Music Center on the 19<sup>th</sup>, will have a full scale MCI drill on May 20, and are looking for volunteers. If anyone is interested, please let him know.

## VII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Mayor Goncy with Tommy Smoot as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

The next meeting will be on June 15, 2023, at 10:00 am.