

MEDINA COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 18th, 2024

Chairman Deforest called the meeting to order at 8:30

Roll Call showed the following members present: Carol Carter, Carl Deforest, Rick Dumperth, Greg Glauner, Terry Grice, Brian Guccion, Steve Hambley, Dennis Hanwell, Aaron Harrison, Matt Hiscock, Jack Swedyk, and Larry Walters

Public Comment: None.

Minutes – Rick Dumperth moved to approve the minutes from November 20th, 2024. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hambley. Voice Vote showed the motion passing.

Resolutions: None.

Purchases: None.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

- 2025 Law Enforcement AHAC Chief Matt Neil – Matt Hiscock made a motion to officially approve Montville Township Police Chief Matt Neil to serve as a member of AHAC for 2025. Motion was seconded by Mr. Guccion. Voice Vote showed the motion passing.
- Homeland Security Regions – Mr. Nau made the committee aware that there could be changes to the Homeland Security Regions, which could include Medina County moving from Region 5 to Region 2. There are questions about whether this change will happen. Mr. Nau will keep the group updated as he attempts to get more information from the State. It was mentioned to appeal the change if possible and prevent it for many reasons. A motion was made by Matt Hiscock to authorize a resolution letter to support staying in Region 5 and an appeal against the change. The motion was seconded by Larry Walters. The motion carried unanimously.
- Expense Report – An expense report for November 2024 was presented and reviewed by Mr. Nau.
- EMA Activities – Mr. Nau reported that the Radio tower project is still ongoing. The bathroom renovations at the EMA have been completed. Early discussions of doing an exercise with the admin building and with the IT department, this will be a game developed by FEMA to help coordinate department responses to an incident and coordination with the EMA. Volunteer reception center exercise, with the EMA and Health Department Volunteers, will occur in March 2025. No new incidents in November, 51 incidents year to date. Mr. Nau pointed out a draw down in the Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grant, from receiving the flow study trailer.

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Executive Session: Mr. Deforest moved to enter the executive session to discuss the hiring and compensation of a public employee, seconded by Mayor Hanwell. Roll call vote showed everyone voting yes; the motion carried. The committee went into Executive Session at 8:43 AM.

The Executive Session ended at 8:57 AM and the meeting resumed at that time. Mr. Deforest motioned to make a conditional offer of employment to Greg Bartoe pending a background check, psychological exam, and drug test with a starting salary of \$67,500.00, seconded by Mayor Hanwell, and approved by all.

Board Members: Mr. Guccion brought up an email he received about a change in replacing street signs after accidents, Mr. Hambley stated he would investigate it.

Mr. Dumperth moved to adjourn the meeting; Sherrif Grice seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.