

MEDINA COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

July 15, 2026

Chairman Deforest called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

Roll Call was conducted. The following Committee members were present: Joe Canestraro, Carol Carter, Dan Chafin, Carl Deforest, Rick Dumperth, Greg Glauner, Terry Grice, Steve Hambley, Aaron Harrison, Robin Laughbaugh, and Jim Shields.

Other individuals present: Ben Nau, Josh Tidey, and Boyd Wechter.

Public Comment: None.

Minutes: Commissioner Harrison made a motion to approve the minutes from June 17, 2026. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dumperth. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote, as amended.

Resolutions: None.

Purchases: None.

Old Business:

- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Mass Notification System Access Approval: Sheriff Grice made a motion to accept the MOUs for Mass Notification System Access that have been received from the Medina County Board of Commissioners, Medina County Job and Family Services, Medina County Sheriff's Office, Medina County Probate & Juvenile Courts, Seville Police Department, and the city of Wadsworth. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chafin. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

New Business: None.

Bills Report: Director Nau shared the bills report.

EMA activities:

- Director Nau briefed training opportunities. He emphasized the value of the upcoming National Incident Management System (NIMS) Overview for Executives and Senior Leaders and the Public Information Basics courses.
- Director Nau highlighted the Hazmat Plan update, Regroup transition, and LEPC full scale exercise as the biggest projects for EMA over the next month, with the Regroup transition being the highest priority while getting accounts established and users created.
- Director Nau briefed the previous month's incidents. He stressed that it was a busy month with a variety of engagements by EMA.

Board Members: None.

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Executive Session:

- At 8:37 am Mr. Deforest made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss hiring of a public employee. Mr. Dumperth seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.
- At 8:40 am, the Executive Committee exited Executive Session with no decisions being made during that time.
- Mr. Deforest made a motion to withdraw the hiring offer previously offered to Brandy Crall. Mr. Dumperth seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote with Mayor Laughbaugh and Mr. Chafin abstaining.

Mr. Deforest made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Joe Canestraro and passed unanimously via voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:42 am.