

CENTRAL VIRGINIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ALLIANCE

Thursday, May 18, 2017 @ 0930 hours
Libbie Mill Library 2100 Libbie Lake E St. Henrico VA 23230



Meeting was called to order by the Vice Chair, Gray Corbett, at 0931.

1. Welcome & Introductions

Mr. Corbett welcomed everyone and invited them to introduce themselves. List of attendees is attached.

2. Minutes from April 20, 2017 Regular Meeting

Motion: To approve minutes as presented.

Made by: Robert Foresman **Second:** James Moss

Motion carried without further discussion.

3. Special Presentations: [Crisis Track](#) Demonstration, John Maylie

Some highlights:

- GIS-based program that supports local damage assessments after a disaster. Product is 5 years old.
- Quickly calculate local damage by incorporating locality assessment/parcel data into the system.
- Program is being used in 15 states. Virginia is the first state to provide Crisis Track to all its jurisdictions
- Implementation
 - Get local GIS data (parcels, tax data)
 - Initiate with local data sharing agreement and set up users
 - Train users
- Lori Dachille has regional roll out plan. Contact her with any questions.

4. Standing Committee Reports

- **Mass Care** | Paul Hundley (Richmond)
No May meeting. Encourage you to talk to partners that are involved in emergency sheltering and take advantage of grant money and training available. Form can be found on the CVEMA website. Two grant proposals are ready for submittal.
- **Planning** | Anna McRay (Henrico)
Planning Committee met via WebEx yesterday. Kathy has the initial draft of the THIRA. Working on assessments (port authority, hazard mitigation plan).

Lori Dachille spoke about a potential grant project to do a port security/critical infrastructure study similar to the port security assessment study being done for Hampton Roads. This would include identifying threats, risks, and interdependencies, plus any upstream and downstream consequences. The ability to map and quantify economic and other risks could help move the region up in the UASI risk ranking and improve tactical level decision-making. Would have to define the area that would be the focus of the study (could be smaller than entire Region 1 area). We have something that was done 10 years ago that could possibly be refreshed.

Anna advised the planning committee needs time to speak with Martha (PDC) about this. The Vice Chair invited a motion on the proposal.

Motion: To submit FY17 SHSP grant application to conduct a critical infrastructure study, similar to the Hampton Roads study, using ODU VMASC tools.

Made by: Bill Lawson **Second:** Donald Hunter

Motion was defeated on a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: 2 Nays: 5 Abstain: 3 Absent: 15

Opposition to the motion was focused on the tight time frame and current workload rather than the value of the project. Discussion included the possibility of seeking funding other than SHSP funds or seeking funding for the project in the FY18 SHSP grant cycle.

- **Public Outreach** | Beverley Brandt (Colonial Heights)
Committee met Monday. 2018 Survivor Day will be April 21. Any localities interested in hosting, please let Kathy know. There will be a regional CERT exercise Nov. 4. It will have a medical focus. Will be submitting two FY17 SHSP grant proposals; whole community preparedness grant (Survivor Day) and a Regional CERT Training grant. The next meeting is June 19 at the RRPDC.

5. Old Business

- **Vice Chair Vacancy:** The Vice Chair invited nominations for this seat which will become vacant when he retires at the end of June. Beverley Brandt nominated Robert Foresman. Robert accepted. The Vice Chair asked three times for additional nominations. Hearing none, he invited a motion.
Motion: To elect Robert Foresman to be Vice Chair starting July 1, 2017.
Made by: Anna McRay **Second:** Donald Hunter
Motion carried unanimously without further discussion.
- **HMP Update:** Plan sent on May 4. FEMA has 45 days to review.
- **THIRA/CVHSS Update:** Workshop #1 to follow this meeting.
- **Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack Grant Update:** No update

- **The Community Foundation/CVEMA Partnership Status:** No update

6. New Business

- **FY17 SHSP Grants** – Heather Smolka, VDEM Preparedness Grant Manager, advised that the new deadline for SHSP grant proposals is June 16, 2017 due to the new form being sent out recently. Any questions, contact Heather.
- **Additional Requests for Letters of Support:** The Vice Chair asked if there were any additional requests for CVEMA letters of support for FY17 SHSP projects. Bill Lawson (Richmond) reported that the City of Richmond requested support for 3 projects:
 - **Active threat training for responders** (Fiscal Agent: Richmond Ambulance Authority (RAA), \$20,000). Training would be open to the region
 - **Stop the Bleed Campaign for Richmond Public Schools** (Fiscal Agent: RAA, \$30,000)
 - **Tactical Entry Equipment** (Fiscal Agent: Richmond PD, \$20,000)
 - **Interagency Active Threat Response** (Fiscal Agent: RAA, \$90,000) body armor and Stop the Bleed kits for RAA & RPD.

Motion: To provide CVEMA letters of support for the 4 City of Richmond projects described.

Made by: Bill Lawson **Second:** James Moss

After some discussion, the motion carried with one no vote.

- **RRPDC Intern Program:** Martha Shickle discussed how PDC can support emergency managers. Currently do not have paid staff to support the regional emergency managers (existing staff is grant-funded). However, can engage part time staff on project work. Think about what projects the region needs completed that could move forward with additional PDC resources. Plan is to partner with colleges in the region that have emergency management programs.
- Kate Hale (New Kent) requested support for two New Kent FY17 SHSP projects:
 - **CERT program** (Fiscal Agent: New Kent, \$28,110) This would be for training and equipment. Want to partner in regional CERT group and establish chainsaw teams.
 - **UAV Program** (Fiscal Agent: New Kent, \$17,200). This is a joint project with New Kent Forestry, New Kent Sheriff's Office, and New Kent Fire. Would be a regional asset available through mutual aid.

Motion: To provide CVEMA letters of support for the 2 New Kent projects described.

Made by: Kate Hale **Second:** Anna McRay

Motion carried unanimously without further discussion.

8. Open Discussion & Roundtable

- **Jeff Hutchison (Dominion Energy)** reported that he is retiring June 1. He expressed how much he enjoyed working with everyone and thanked CVEMA for facilitating this important partnership. He reported that Tony Savage will be replacing him and attending the meeting next month.
- **Derek Andresen (Richmond)** reported that they are getting new notification system (Code Red) up and running. Dominion River Rock is this weekend, expecting thousands in attendance.
- **James Moss (VDH Central Region)** Reported that the state's Zika plan update is expected in June.
- **Kate Hale (New Kent)** reported that they have a wine festival this weekend. She also reported that they are switching notification systems from Code Red to Everbridge in July.
- **Emily Ashley (Chesterfield)** reported that their NDMS exercise was last month went well. They will be having a FAC tabletop exercise next week with partners from libraries and mental health.
- **Kevin Pennell (VDEM)** reported that they are working with Petersburg on a hazmat exercise to take place next month. The Concepts & Objectives meeting for the regional FAC exercise is next month. He thanked all those who shared their plans/templates. They are also working with Nottoway on some EOC training.
- **Paul Hundley (Richmond)** offered a point of clarification on the shelter training offered through the MCHS FY16 SHSP grant; he would like to have any training completed by Thanksgiving to ensure we are able to close out this grant with no delays/extension. He also announced that the next VCA VOAD meeting is June 6. Agenda includes Chair of the New Jersey VOAD and Team Rubicon. Ms. Robins has forwarded this meeting invitation to CVEMA.
- **Anna McRay (Henrico)** reported that she has been invited to be a part of a focus group to develop position-specific EOC. Will be asking for your feedback.
- **Mark Garnett (Caroline)** reported that they have officially rolled out their UAV program. They are in the middle of a big hiring push. Approved funding for a GIS person and increased their volunteer stipend program.
- **Danielle Progen (VDEM)** reported that they are setting up meetings for the 10 localities that requested VDEM assistance with developing FAC/FRC plans. Plan development workshop sometime in June.
- **Ken Ryals (Emporia)** reported that they are in the final planning stages for new public safety building including a new EOC. On Tuesday, their City Council approved their updated EOP.
- **Lori Dachille (VDEM)** thanked those who have been allowing them to attend exercises, trainings, and events, as well as including on special events calendars.
- **Heather Smolka (VDEM)** reported that Tammy Myers is back at work as of Monday. If you have any questions about the SHSP program, contact her.

- **Allen Evans (Virginia National Guard/Fort Pickett)** reported that he is working on and active shooter full scale exercise coming up on July 18. Classroom exercise May 31 for staff of Fort Pickett. Working with VSP, FBI, Sheriff's Offices from Nottoway, Dinwiddie, Brunswick, Lunenburg, and the Nottoway Police Department. May be reaching out to other CVEMA localities for assistance.
- **Gray Corbett (CVHC)** reported that Andrew Slater will be replacing him as CVHC Executive Director on July 1, 2017. Today is the last day that the RHCC Manager and Long Term Care Coordinator positions will be posted for applications. The latter has been made a full-time position which will cover long term care facilities plus behavioral health, dialysis, rehab, and other specialty hospitals/facilities. Will be reaching out to universities for interns.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50. The next regular Alliance meeting will be June 15, 2017, at Byrd Park Roundhouse in the City of Richmond.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherri Laffoon

