

## Buffalo County Mutual Aid Association -MEETING MINUTES - 10 October 2006

Amherst: Kevin Rumbeck, Glen Brown, Virgil Kenny, Steve Harmony  
Buffalo County Sheriff: Dave Butler  
Elm Creek: None  
Emergency Management: Darrin Lewis  
Gibbon: None  
Good Samaritan: Joe Graf  
Kearney: Sarah Issac, Todd Walton

Kearney PD: Dan Lynch  
Miller: Randy John and Wes Quail  
Pleasanton: None  
Ravenna: Tim Lammers, Don Zimmer  
Shelton: Mark Lovelace  
Guests: None

Meeting called to order by Glen Brown as Jeff Davis was absent

MINUTES previous meeting minutes approved as presented. Motion by Lewis, second by Lammers.

PROGRAM-- None. Information from Jeff Davis through Glen is that Jeff will not know about his work schedule until the first of the year. If we feel it is necessary, he would step down as President and someone else could take his place. Brief discussion and decision made to wait to see at the first of the year.

OLD BUSINESS-- Dave Butler distributed fire district maps as discussed at a previous meeting. Each department reviewed the material and generally felt that the maps were representative of their districts. Each department will take this map back to the station to review with their current maps and advise of necessary changes.

NEW BUSINESS-- Glen asked for anyone with program ideas to let him know what to be working on. Discussion on moving meeting start time to 7:00 PM and this may occur after harvest is done. Glen also asked if there was any interest in doing something in appreciation for the dispatchers. No decision made. Walt had letters notifying everyone about Fire Fighter 1 training. Training will begin in January here at KVFD. No cost to anyone other than testing. Books have been purchased for each department in past by BCMAA. The 2007 edition should be out soon and let Walt know and KVFD can order and will bill BCMAA. Walt added that there is an Academy Urban Wildfire class coming 3-4 November. You can register at State Fire Marshal's website. Lon and Lee Vohland were both absent due to family emergency. Lon had sent letters of notice on a First Responder Haz Mat Awareness training on 13-14 November at the KVFD training Center. Must register by 3 November. Again register at State Fire Marshal's website.

Emergency Management discussed the 06 grants. Grant was submitted for \$183,000.00 for mobile and portable radios. Award was for \$109,000.00. Darrin asked each department to review their original requests in an effort to make the necessary reductions fairly. Some discussion on numbers but group was directed to go back to Stations and make decisions, letting Darrin know.

Darrin also mentioned that we have \$22,000.00 available to support the CERT training. He suggested that this would be a good course for members of Fire Fighters families who may have to take care of themselves in emergencies.

Buffalo County Sheriff's Office mentioned that staff in the 911 center have been to Incident Dispatching training and are in process of establishing a team. This system could be used to have dispatch staff come to the scene and assist a scene commander and running the dispatch function from the scene. Dave Butler thinks he will have a team of perhaps 6 dispatchers and is interested in testing this system as the opportunity presents. He asked that each department consider using this system when they can.

Dave also asked for updated lists of department command structure from each Fire Department. Just fax to him. Darrin will update the LEOP as well. Also if departments will submit a list of the department's membership to include:

Name, address, home, and cell phones, he will update the Communicator portion of the Geo-Notification system.

### MEMBERS REPORT

Amherst-- Stag will be coming up in November, (last Friday of deer season), time to be announced.

Buffalo County Sheriff-- Nothing more.

Elm Creek-- Nothing

Emergency Management-- Nothing

Gibbon-- Nothing

Good Samaritan-- Joe said that the EMS PI meeting is tomorrow starting at 1830 and there is an upcoming training on Disaster Planning for Rural Nebraska. This will be 28 October from 0800 to 1430 at GSH. This will cover pesticide exposure, pandemic flue and other issues. Must pre-register.

Kearney FD-- Sarah reminds all to get their State Association dues paid. Annual Conference is 20-22<sup>nd</sup> October in York.

Miller-- Nothing

Pleasanton-- Nothing

Ravenna-- Nothing

Shelton-- Pancake feed Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, opening day of deer season, will probably start mid-day/

President—Nothing

Next meeting 14 November, 8:00 PM, KVFD Station #1

Meeting adjourned--

Respectfully submitted Dan Lynch Secretary-Treasurer