



# LEPC Local Emergency Planning Committee

Gem County LEPC Meeting Minutes  
January 19, 2010 at 08:30  
Gem County EMS Building

**Attendance:** Linda Anthony, SWDH; Judy Bedal, LEPC Co-Chair/Community Volunteer; Bill Butticci, Mayor; Tom Carlsen, Emmett Schools; Sharon Church-Pratt, Gem Co Commissioner; Shannon Crays, Emmett City Fire; Bruce Evans, Emmett Public Works; Bev Martin, Gem Co Sheriff's Posse; Janet Monti, Messenger Index; Steve Nebeker, Emmett Police; Brad Newell, Emmett Police; Autumn Roberts, CERT/LEPC Sec; Chuck Rolland, Gem Co. Sheriff; Michele Sherrer, Gem Co Commissioner; Lan Smith, Gem Co Commissioner; Anita Taylor, Gem Co. Emergency Mgr; Joanna Taylor, Gem Co EMS; Dennis Weaver, Gem Co. Fire #2; Rick Welch, Gem Co Fire #1; Donnie Wunder, Gem Co Sheriff

**I) Meeting called to order**

A) Called to order at 08:35 by Judy Bedal.

**II) Introductions**

A) Persons present introduced themselves and their organization.

**III) Review of minutes**

- A) December 15, 2009 Minutes Reviewed
- 1) Motion to accept minutes with corrections by Rick Welch
  - 2) Seconded by Michele Sherrer
  - 3) Approval: unanimous.

**IV) Governance Board - Lan Smith**

A) District 3 would like to flatten the process by dispensing with the district layer. Originally 2 representatives from each county went to the district, 2 from district went to the regional board and 2 from the regional board were on the SIEC. There are 10 counties in District 3 right now. Ada County thinks population should determine participation by each county, with them receiving more representation. By laws and charter are completed and will be emailed out to all LEPC members. Their next meeting takes place February 25, 2010.

**V) LEPC By law Revision**

- A) Approval to change bi-annually to biennially, for officer election wording.
- 1) Michele Sherrer moved.
  - 2) Rick Welch seconded
  - 3) Approval: unanimous

**VI) Grant Update - Anita Taylor**

A) Received approval for repeaters, radios and licensing. All funds in the 2007 and 2008 grants have been moved to Interoperability for communication updates. Using all funds in both grants will put us

\$1700.00 short of completing phase one of the communication plan. Once both grants are zeroed out we will have to wait for the 2009 grant to open to resume updates. Radio shuffling between agencies and taking advantage of other avenues for radio updates will bring costs down for phase two. If we have another opportunity for a grant close out we will be able to apply for funds to complete all three phases of the communication update plan.

**VII) Narrowband Project - Rick Welch**

- A) BHS continues to praise the hard work of Anita Taylor. Repeater has been ordered from White Cloud, with a delivery date of Feb 2010. Still looking for a site to locate another repeater. Once repeater is up Police Department can go narrowband, hopefully by March.

**VIII) General Reports**

- A) Emmett City Mayor – Bill Buttici
  - 1) City is doing great.
- B) Emmett Fire Department - Shannon Crays
  - 1) Is holding an air ambulance refresher class on January 25<sup>th</sup>. If anyone needs to attend let him know.
  - 2) Fire 1 class begins in February
- C) SWDH - Linda Anthony
  - 1) Flu season is drawing to a close.
  - 2) 2800 H1N1 doses given in Gem County.
  - 3) State is applying for Pan 4 funds.
  - 4) SWDH would still like to have another after action meeting in March.
- D) Gem Co Commissioner – Lan Smith
  - 1) Setting up a radio 101 class for those interested.
  - 2) There will be a demonstration after the meeting by a company launching a new web based training for individuals and agencies. All are welcome to attend.
- E) Gem Co Sheriff's Posse - Bev Martin
  - 1) Gaining new members.
  - 2) Year end banquet is upcoming.
  - 3) Anita Taylor is coming to Ola to do first aid and CPR classes for Posse members.
  - 4) The Posse is concerned about radio updates and want to make sure they will still have communication capabilities.
- F) Gem Co Fire #2 - Dennis Weaver
  - 1) Will be attending first aid and CPR class in Ola.
- G) Emmett City Police - Steve Nebeker
  - 1) Reserve program is still accepting applications.
  - 2) Tysend Faulkner is doing well in POST.
- H) Emmett School District– Tom Carlsen
  - 1) First semester is complete.
  - 2) Budget cuts are now in effect.
- I) Gem Co EMS– Joanna Taylor
  - 1) New ambulance is being stocked and readied for service.
  - 2) Old ambulance will be re located to Sweet/Ola.
  - 3) Basic refresher this Friday - Sunday.
- J) Emmett City Works – Bruce Evans
  - 1) Working on flood dikes with the Army Corps of Engineers, readying for Spring run off.
  - 2) Sewer line on verge of collapse.
  - 3) Hosting a basic pump maintenance class so they will be able to do this in house.

- 4) First stimulus grant opens next week.
  - 5) Work on Main Street road should begin soon.
  - 6) In the final stages of source water protection. Would like to meet with the County Commissioners to draft a county-wide plan.
- K) Gem County Sheriff – Chuck Rolland
- 1) New radar in cars.
  - 2) Working on grant for side by side four wheeler for back country rescue.
  - 3) Mark Rekow expressed gratefulness that the Police Department and Sheriff's Department responds to ambulance calls.
  - 4) The County Courthouse needs an AED.
  - 5) Anyone can be on the dive team, being in law enforcement is not a requirement.
- L) Gem Co Sheriff Department - Donny Wunder
- 1) Divers have physical fitness test on Saturday,
  - 2) The only true water rescue team is the Coast Guard. Dive teams are for recovery.
- M) Gem Co Fire #1 -Rick Welch
- 1) 10 firemen finishing Fire 1. They will continue training with Fire 2.
- N) Emmett Police Department -Brad Newell
- 1) Mike Knittel finishing ICS-200.
- O) Gem Co Emergency Manager - Anita Taylor
- 1) Postponing ICS 300 & 400 classes until BHS does a class. We will no longer be doing trainings through ISU.
  - 2) We will be putting agenda and minutes on county website with meeting times.
- P) CERT- Autumn Roberts
- 1) Has sent out Code of Conduct for volunteers to look at and sign.
  - 2) Training for 2010 has been planned.
- Q) Messenger Index - Janet Monti
- 1) The paper has a new website.
  - 2) We can use the paper to get information out to the public.

### **IX)Next Meeting**

- A) February 16, 2010 at 08:30 at the EMS Building.
- B) Meeting adjourned at 09:30 by Judy Bedal.

Autumn Roberts  
LEPC Secretary