



REGION D RHSOC ANNUAL MEETING
Wednesday, August 17, 2022
9:00 A.M.

MEETING MINUTES

Attendance:

RHSOC Members:	Ex-Officios:
David Pennington, Chair	Chris Gaut, SEMA Region D Coordinator
Melissa Duckworth, Emergency Management	
Charla Gellar, Emergency Management	Guests:
Eric Schmitt, Police	Grant Selvey, Lawrence County EMD
Randy Foster, Sheriff	Tim Selvey, Lawrence Co Commission
Jim Furgerson, Fire	Kevin Samsel, Willard Fire
Ted Martin, Fire	Chris Gaut, SEMA
Jessica Wagner, County Health	Chelsey Call, OHS
Eric Latimer, HS RRS	Kristin Kayser, OHS
Chris Berndt, HS RRS (Co-chair)	Russ Douglas, Webster OEM
David Brock, City/County Public Works	Bandi Kolbe, Christian County EMA
Ron Bailey, City/County Public Works	Larry Woods, Springfield-Greene County OEM
Brad Gray, Mayor/City Admin	Darren White, Springfield-Greene County OEM
Gregg Sweeten, Mayor/City Admin	Lori Sneed, Dade Co 911
Hank Smythe, County Commissioner	Aaron Houk, Neosho Fire
Brent Watkins, Industry/LEPC	Duane Hamilton, Dallas Co 911
Tom Koch, Utilities	Rick Davis, Polk Co OEM
Mike Lawton, 911	James Stewart, Cox Health
Bonnie Witt-Schulte, 911	Jill Elliot, Webster Co Health
Mike Lawton, 911	Christopher Roush, Springfield Fire
Bonnie Witt-Schulte, 911	Aubrey Johnson, Springfield-Greene County OEM
John Wall, Volunteer Groups	Kenny Norris, Springfield-Greene County OEM
Jay Chism, Agriculture	
Dennis Martin, Hospitals	SMCOG Staff:
Shannon McMurtrey, Cybersecurity	Thomas Cunningham
Neil Slagle, Cybersecurity	

Open Meeting

Opening Comments/Pledge of Allegiance

David Pennington opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Introductions

Meeting was held in-person only. David had everyone introduce themselves. Full attendance list can be seen above.

Approval of Consent Agenda

County Commission motioned to approve the consent agenda, fire seconded, and the motioned passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

Exercise/Training Report - Melissa Duckworth

Melissa submitted her report detailing upcoming training in Region D. A full list can be found at sematraining.com. This committee and our members are always looking for opportunities for new trainings for our region.

TICP/WebEOC Working Groups - Jonathan Ayres

Jonathan was unable to attend the meeting. It was mentioned that further WebEOC training might be needed.

Strategic Plan Working Group - Ted Martin

This committee is working on re-establishing itself after COVID.

Old Business

SHSP Procurement Updates - Thomas Cunningham

FY20: Everything has been ordered. However, we're experiencing delays from the pandemic, shipping, working shortages, etc. We have to ask for extensions for Springfield Fire Structural Collapse, Hazmat Sustainment, and Communications Vehicle Sustainment projects. There will be money to send back, but we don't know how much yet since we're still waiting on some of the bills.

FY21: We had to do a short pause on these projects because we found out we had to make corrections on some of the subaward agreements, but that is being taken care of and we should be back to purchasing this week.

Inventory Disbursement Requests - Dorothy Wittorff-Sandgren

There were no disbursement requests for this period.

HSRRS Committee - Eric Latimer

Eric is working on connecting with agencies in our region to identify our assets and capabilities. This will allow us to identify weaknesses and gaps in our services.

THIRA - Kevin Virgin

Everything is due to Kevin by October 1st, but extensions can be had if needed. FEMA has not made any significant changes in the process. Communication within our region regarding this process has been lacking, so we need to work better on keeping everyone in the loop.

NCSR Data and Cybersecurity Threat Vector Analysis - David Pennington/Shannon McMurtrey

Shannon is working with agencies to complete a risk assessment of our region cybersecurity capabilities. He has received data from Joplin PD and Springfield so far, but he reiterated the importance of this project. A complete risk analysis will allow us to identify weak points in our region so we can put together a plan moving forward. Any interested agencies can contact Shannon to participate. This is a voluntary process and your information will be kept secure.

Biennial Inventory - Thomas Cunningham

Thomas reminded everyone about the biennial inventory update that is happening now. He and Dorothy will be reaching out to agencies that have purchased equipment with homeland security funds to ensure we have up to date information.

New Business

Scoring of FY22 SHSP Applications - David Pennington

RHSOC action is required to approve allocations for FY22 Regional Homeland Security Grant and authorize the Southwest Missouri Council of Governments to submit the results to the Office of Homeland Security. There was some confusion about the requirements associated with applying for radios, so Chelsey Call from OHS explained them again.

Each organization presented their grant applications and explained what the funds will be used for. The floor was then opened for discussion on prioritization. During the scoring process, it was determined that some projects that applied for radio funding did not meet the requirements mentioned above, so those specific funds were removed from the projects.

For FY22, Region D will be receiving a total of \$418,068.64 from OHS. However, we received \$657,341.47 in total applications, so additional cuts had to be made. It was decided that the \$175,000 Springfield Fire Department Regional Structure Collapse Sustainment project was not immediately needed. So, by moving that project to the bottom of the priority list, we were then able to fully fund the rest of the projects that met all OHS requirements. A complete summary of the vote breakdown and project allocations can be found below

Discipline	Project 1	Project 2	Project 3	Project 4	Project 5	Project 6	Project 7	Project 8	Project 9	Project 10	Project 11	Project 12	Project 13
Emergency Management	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y
Police	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	Y
Sheriff	Y	Y	A	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Fire	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y
County Health	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
HSRRS	A	A	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	A
Public Works	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mayor/City Admin	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
County Commission	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Industry/LEPC	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Utilities	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
EMS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
911	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Volunteer Groups	Y	Y	A	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Schools	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Agriculture	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Hospitals	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Cybersecurity	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

There were no representatives from EMS or Schools present during the vote.

Project Number	Project Title	Organization	Requested Funds	Awarded Funds
1	Bomb Squad X-Ray Capability Sustainment	Springfield Fire	\$6,935.00	\$6,935.00
2	Bob Squad Robot Sustainment	Springfield Fire	\$180,252.00	\$180,252.00
3	Communications Support Vehicle Sustainment	Greene County Emergency Management Agency	\$40,812.00	\$9,475.00
4	WebEOC Program Sustainment	Greene County Emergency Management Agency	\$34,450.00	\$34,450.00
5	Springfield Fire Department Regional Structure Collapse - Sustainment	Springfield Fire	\$175,000.00	\$26,138.20
6	Mobile Command Vehicle Sustainment and Equipment Replacement	Greene County Sheriff's Office	\$70,280.36	\$11,206.33
7	Regional Hazardous Materials Team Sustainment	Springfield Fire	\$26,176.00	\$26,176.00
8	Sustainment Funding for Mission Capable Equipment	Branson Fire	\$3,969.00	\$3,969.00
9	FY22- Region D - HSRRS-Sheriff Taney County	Taney County Emergency Management Agency	\$36,257.11	\$36,257.11
10	FY22- Region D - HSRRS Taney County	Taney County Western Fire Protection District	\$4,210.00	\$4,210.00
11	Springfield Fire Department Regional Hazardous Materials Sustainment - Training	Springfield Fire	\$28,000.00	\$28,000.00
12	Sustainment Funding for Mission Capable Mass Decontamination Trailer.	Branson Fire	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00
13	Springfield Fire Department Regional Structure Collapse Sustainment - Training	Springfield Fire	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00
Total			\$657,341.47	\$418,068.64

The RHSOC also decided that savings from any of the projects would be shifted to other projects if needed.

Federal/State/Regional Partners Updates

OHS/HSGP - Chelsey Call/Kristin Kayser

Additional funding opportunities will be available soon, including Enhancing Cybersecurity, Enhancing Community Preparedness, and LETPA. Notifications will be sent out shortly.

Interoperable Communications - Roger Strobe

No report provided.

Cybersecurity - Angie Robinson

Angie Robinson provided a report prior to the meeting. Please see the report for full details.

DHSS - Leslie Kavlak

No report provided.

DNR - Wendell Hall/Carl Harris

No report provided.

Agriculture - Bill Pittenger

Bill Pittenger provided a report prior to the meeting. Please see the report for full details.

Mutual Aid - Eric Hartman, Kevin Virgin

Incident Support Team - Ben Bonner

Ben Bonner provided a report prior to the meeting. Please see the report for full details.

Disciplinary Group Reports

Cybersecurity –

Reminder about completing the NCSR (Nationwide Cybersecurity Review). Any grant recipients must complete this in order to receive the funds.

Police

Staffing continues to be an issue. Most of the applications they receive are underqualified.

Sheriff

Same issue as Police

Volunteer Groups

Similar issue as Police and Sheriff. Membership has taken a hit and is still trying to recover to pre-pandemic levels. Training has started again.

Other Business/Open Discussion

Next Meeting Date

October 19, 2022

Adjourn

David Pennington, Region D RHSOC Chair

Date Approved