

JASPER COUNTY
Emergency Management Commission

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Minutes of January 30, 2018 Commission Meeting

The Jasper County Emergency Management Commission met on January 30, 2018 at the Jasper County EOC. Those present were Doug Cupples (Board of Supervisors), David Mast (Colfax), Craig Tierney (Kellogg), Pat Edwards (Lambs Grove), Jarrod Wellik (Newton), Lennie Smith (Oakland Acres), Chad Alleger (Prairie City), Dale James (Reasnor) via ZOOM, Tami Weishaar (Reasnor) via ZOOM, Brent Vander Molen (Sully), Mike Vander Molen (Sully), John Halferty (Jasper County Sheriff), Jim Sparks (EMA Coordinator), Josh Harding (EMA Program Coordinator), and Kathy Ellis (EMA Assistant).

The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM by the Sheriff, John Halferty.

Introductions were made around the room and served as roll call for the meeting. Those representatives listed above were present and accounted for.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Chad Alleger and was seconded by Brent Vander Molen. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the December 12, 2017 meeting minutes was made by David Mast and was seconded by Alleger. Motion carried.

Agenda Items

- Public Hearing - 2019 Emergency Management Budget

A motion was made by Lennie Smith and seconded by Craig Tierney to open the Public Hearing on the budget at 6:33PM. Motion carried.

There was no one in attendance from the public.

A motion was made to close the public hearing and reconvene the regular Commission meeting at 6:34PM by Alleger and seconded by Mike Vander Molen. Motion carried.

Jim Sparks stated there was nothing new since the December budget workshop regarding the budget.

Chairman Halferty stated in the future the Commission would have to consider a levy for future budgets.

A motion to accept the budget as written was made by Alleger and seconded by Pat Edwards to adopt the FY19 budget. Motion carried.

Coordinator's Update

Sparks explained he has requested the Public Safety Agencies provide suggestions on specific areas and projects for EMA to focus on. He took the opportunity during the meeting to ask Commission members for their input to help identify items to focus on in 2018. A question regarding assistance for funding the new radio communications was asked which lead to a discussion on grant funding opportunities and requirements.

Old Business

Members were asked to provide the EMA office with the name and contact information for an alternate elected official who could make decisions on behalf of their communities.

Sparks passed out some handouts on the Emergency Management Commission Fiscal Status including budget projections into FY20-21. He stated something would need to change within the next few years regarding revenue/expenditures. A discussion needs to be held by summer time, with the Commission providing direction before next fall's budget preparation.

A budget amendment will be needed in May due to the receipt of the Dakota Access Donation.

New Business

Election of Officers was missed at the first meeting of the odd year in 2017. Sparks asked the group if they would like to elect new officers or maintain the current slate. The chairman and vice chairman agreed to continue their roles.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:51 by Brent Vander Molen and seconded by Doug Cupples. Motion carried.