

Custer County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

July 18, 2012

The Custer County LEPC met in regular session at the Custer County Fairgrounds. The meeting was called to order by Michael Galloway, Chairman at 10:00 a.m. A sign-in sheet was provided and contact information sheets were passed around. There were 35 attendees.

Mr. Galloway indicated to the attendees that the 2012 Emergency Response books are now available. He will be picking up the books from the State Emergency Managers office. He provides copies to members of fire departments, police departments, EMS and other Custer County emergency responders. Organizations wishing a copy may purchase them from various safety vendors.

Mr. Galloway gave a short history of LEPC. He also announced with the retirement of Wade Anders from Clinton Fire Department and as Clinton Emergency Manger, David Crabtree, Clinton Police Chief has assumed the position of Emergency Manager for Clinton. Randy Carpenter is acting Clinton Fire Chief at this time.

Adam Milligan with Bureau of Reclamation gave a short talk about the recent Foss Dam exercise which occurred June 6, 2012. Mr. Galloway gave additional information about the results and findings from the after action report. It would prove beneficial for other entities that might be impacted from a Foss Dam failure to add input to the exercise.

Discussion of the need for continuing NIMS training was held. Custer County is NIMS compliant at this time. Being compliant helps departments get reimbursements after a disaster occurs. There are basic NIMS courses on line such as IS100, 200, 700 and 800. Courses 300 and 400 are required to be in class.

There was a Communication exercise held in Woodward on June 19, 2012. The trailer which Mr. Galloway acquired from FEMA has been outfitted as a communication trailer. He had what was a bedroom stripped out and shelving installed to hold different types of radios. On June 23, Mr. Galloway participated in an Amateur Radio Field Day at Dripping Springs east of Arapaho. The Amateur Radio group practiced setting up equipment and communicating with people from all over the world. This is one of the ways for responders to communicate during a disaster.

Mr. Galloway spoke to the committee members about the persons in command of the Health ESF8. Debbie Mayle, our Region 1 Health planner from Elk City was in attendance. There are 18 counties in northwest Oklahoma within Region 1.

The Custer County Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved by FEMA. The HMP must be approved before any hazard mitigation grants can be applied for. Cities and schools in Custer County may now begin Notice of Intent procedures for projects. Mr. Galloway is hopeful of a Custer County Saferoom project when funding is available.

A brief update for the committee was presented regarding 911 addressing. All new 911 addresses must be obtained from SWODA at Burns Flat.

Mr. Galloway stated to the committee that Custer County does require floodplain permits for development in the designated floodplains as identified on FEMA maps adopted on January 6, 2011. If

there any questions about designated floodplain areas, please contact Mr. Galloway's office or you may search on the FEMA map service center site at <https://msc.fema.gov>.

Custer County has its' own website which provides information for all citizens. You may visit the website at www.custer.okcounties.org.

To complete the meeting, Mr. Galloway stated that he will be working on updating the EOP for Custer County. He requested that current EAPs and contact lists be provided from facilities and companies in electronic form if possible.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05a.m.

/S/Michael Galloway, Chairman for LEPC