



## Meeting Notes October 27, 2015

Attendees: Karen Alsip, Judy Eschmann, Pam Haverkos, Ed Humphrey, Tim Kelly, Rhonda Meggitt, Jamey Mills, Bonnie Morrison, Melinda Payne, Laurie Schlueter, Johnny Shea and Lee Ann Watson.

Topic	Discussion	Action Items
<b>Welcome</b>	The meeting began at 1:40 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.	
<b>Review of the Meeting Notes</b>	A copy of the Meeting Notes from the January 27, 2015 meeting was provided to the group for review. No comments, changes, additions or deletions were made by those present.	
<b>New Business</b>		
Emergency Operation Plan Update	<p>The Emergency Operation Base Plan was promulgated by the Board of County Commissioners on September 23, 2015. EMA is continuing to work on updates to various Emergency Support Functions (ESFs) and Annexes to the EOP. Ohio EMA will be auditing the Plan sometime in 2016. Rhonda Meggitt, Emergency Resource Team Coordinator with Ohio EMA, advised that new federal guidelines will be forthcoming for the Damage Assessment Annex so her advice is to refrain on making any updates until the guidelines are issued.</p> <p>Melinda Payne is in the process of setting up Emergency Operation Center training to be held in November and December. Details will be provided when available. If anyone is interested, please contact Melinda Payne at <a href="mailto:mpayne@clermontcountyohio.gov">mpayne@clermontcountyohio.gov</a> or (513) 735-8621 to sign up.</p>	
Changes to Ohio EMA	<p>Keven Clouse, Field Liaison for the Southwest Ohio District, was promoted to the position of State Exercise Coordinator for the State of Ohio. Ohio EMA has divided the state into regions with a Regional Supervisor and EMS Specialist in each region, Phil Clayton and Shawn Riley filling those positions for our region, respectively.</p> <p>Nancy Dragani resigned her position as Executive Director early this year and Ohio EMA appointed Evan Schumann, formerly with Ohio Task Force 1 out of Dayton, to fill the position. Mr. Schumann has since resigned this position, returning to the Ohio Task Force 1, and Sima Merick has now filled this position.</p>	

	The group discussed the Citizen Corps Council quarterly reports. Rhonda Meggitt, OEMA, advised the group that reporting should be made through a report now offered by FEMA. Rhonda will forward the link for our review and consideration.	
2016 LEPC Functional EOC Exercise	The 2016 LEPC Functional Exercise to test the EOC will be held on Thursday, January 14, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Emergency Operation Center, with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. The following objectives will be tested: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EOC</li> <li>• Population Protective Actions</li> <li>• Shelter Management</li> <li>• Hospital Services</li> <li>• Mass Care</li> <li>• Community Recovery</li> </ul>	
2016 Meeting Schedule	The group agreed to the following 2016 meeting schedule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• January 26, 2016</li> <li>• April 26, 2016</li> <li>• July 19, 2016</li> <li>• October 25, 2016</li> </ul> <p>With funding no longer available, the group discussed the purpose and need of a Citizen Corps Council and Rhonda Meggitt, OEMA, expressed her concerns with disbanding the council. The group decided to discuss this at a later date to determine the missions and goals of the council, the possibility of engaging individuals from private sector businesses and the future of a Citizen Corps Council.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ EMA will send out calendar appointments for the 2016 meeting dates.</li> </ul>
<b>Old Business:</b>		
\$1,000 Donation	One of the response trailers purchased with Homeland Security funding has become available. Pam Haverkos has spoken with Clermont County Developmental Disabilities (CCDD) and they would be interested in using the trailer for the Volunteer Reception Center. EMA is recommending that the \$1,000 donation be utilized for the purchase of supplies for the trailer. EMA will work with the County's Prosecutor's Office and the Board of Commissioners to transfer the title of the trailer to CCDD, if allowable. The group suggested that EMA retrofit the trailer with the supplies regardless of whether the trailer title is transfer to CCDD or stays under the Board of Commissioners. <p>A motion was made by Bonnie Morrison and seconded by Tim Kelly to utilize the \$1,000 donation to retrofit the trailer with supplies for use by the Volunteer Reception Center during a disaster.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ EMA will work on the purchasing and transfer process.</li> </ul>
Community Outreach	Clermont County is now utilizing WordPress website hosting. EMA is next in line for the updates to its website. The EMA and Citizen Corps Council's website will be merged into one website.	

	<p>EMA has brochures published by FEMA available that address preparedness for emergencies. If anyone requires brochures, please contact EMA at (513) 732-7661 or <a href="mailto:clermontema@clermontcountyohio.gov">clermontema@clermontcountyohio.gov</a>. FEMA notified us that they are no longer producing any kid's public education materials. We have handed these out at Safety Fairs, National Night Out, County Fair, etc. and they are one of the better received items. EMA will reach out to FEMA expressing our concerns with the discontinuation in an attempt to make item(s) available as a replacement.</p> <p>Rhonda Meggitt, OEMA, advised that backpacks will be available for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade children to enable them to prepare a disaster kit. Rhonda will send more information to EMA so they can pass the information along to our law enforcement agencies.</p>	
<b>Presentations</b>		
Mental Health & Recovery Board Levy	<p>Lee Ann Watson, Associate Director, Clermont County Mental Health and Recovery Board, provided a flyer and a brief presentation to the group about the organization and the upcoming Mental Health Tax Levy, Issue #11, on the ballot for the November 3<sup>rd</sup> General Election. The levy is a .5 mil renewal plus a .25 mil increase which will provide prevention and treatment programs and services for mental health and substance abuse in our area.</p>	
Clermont County Children's Protective Services Levy	<p>Judy Eschmann, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, addressed the group about the upcoming Children's Protective Services (CPS) Tax Levy, flyer attached, on the ballot for the November 3<sup>rd</sup> General Election. Funds generated from the tax levy are needed to help the abused and neglected children of Clermont County. This is a renewal levy and will not raise taxes.</p>	
Civil Air Patrol	<p>Johnny Shea, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant, with the Civil Air Patrol – Clermont County, provided a brief history of the Civil Air Patrol, which was born one week prior to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. On July 1, 1946, President Harry Truman signed Public Law 476 incorporating Civil Air Patrol as a benevolent, nonprofit organization. In 1948, The Civil Air Patrol was established as the civilian force component of the U.S. Air Force. Three primary mission areas were set forth at that time: aerospace education, cadet programs, and emergency services. Young people from 12 to 19 years of age are introduced to aviation through CAP's cadet program. A short preparedness video can be viewed at <a href="http://youtube.com/clermontcap">youtube.com/clermontcap</a>. To obtain more information, contact 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Johnny Shea at (513) 967-5650 or <a href="mailto:johnny.shea@ohwg.cap.gov">johnny.shea@ohwg.cap.gov</a>.</p>	
<b>Reports</b>		
CART	<p>CART is planning for HazMat training for pets in 2016. More information will follow when available.</p> <p>CART is partnering with the Clermont County Humane Society to better help pet owners in our community meet increasing financial challenges to pay for their pets' most basic</p>	

	needs, such as food, medical care, and a safe place to live. The focus is now on keeping pets in their homes with the people who love them.	
EMA	The Ohio Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) Annual Conference will be held on Friday, November 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2015 at the Cincinnati Area American Red Cross, 2111 Dana Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45207. To obtain more information or to register, go to <a href="https://ohvoad.communityos.org">https://ohvoad.communityos.org</a> .	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	The next meeting will be January 26, 2016 at 1:30 PM. The meeting will be held in the Clermont County EOC (2279 Clermont Center Drive, Batavia, Ohio 45103).	
<b>Adjournment</b>	The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:12 PM.	