

**MINUTES**  
**Region H Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee**  
**Quarterly Business Meeting with Zoom Option**  
**St. Joseph, MO 64501**  
**Wednesday, April 14, 2021 13:30**

**PRIMARY/VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

<b>14</b>	RT Turner: Evergy Blair Shock: Clinton Co EMD Jennifer Protzman (A): SJPD Bill Brinton: Buchanan Co EMD John Barclay (A): NTA Ambulance (Z) Blake Rudel (A): Andrew Co Ambulance Robert Burns: City of Lathrop Admin (Z)	Ruben Bulgin (A): Lifeline Foods Mike Wilson (A): SJPD (Z) Jerry Gill (A): Buch Co PW Jennifer Protzman (A): City of St. Joe PD Adam Perry: HAZMAT Bill Lamar (A): SJFD Keri Barclay: Harrison Co. Hospital (Z)
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**OTHERS PRESENT:**

<b>13</b>	Jim Holcomb: Harrison Co. Commission Paul Stickler: Midwest Mobile Radio Hayley Howard: Mo-Kan Regional Council Houston Roberts: Mo-Kan Regional Council (Z) Curtis Lanning: Livingston County Health (Z) Trenny Wilson: MWSU (Z) Kelli Hillerman: Grundy County Health (Z)	Trevor Place: Sheriff Harrison Co. Amy Dowis: NWRCOG (Z) Chelsey Call: OHS (Z) Bryan Courtney: Mo Interoperability Center (Z) David Roll: Daviess Co EMD (Z) Neal Hook: St. Joe Christian
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\*(A) Alternate

\*(Z) Zoom

The regular quarterly meeting of the Region H Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee was held on April 14, 2021, at the Region H Hazmat Building, 312 W. Colorado Ave., St. Joseph Mo., 64504 and via Zoom.

1. **Roll Call:** Chair Blair Shock called the meeting to order at 13:31. A verbal roll call was taken. Fourteen (14) primaries/alternates from different disciplines attended in person or via Zoom. There was a quorum.
2. **Approve agenda:** Approval of agenda was erroneously skipped.
3. **Approve Meeting Minutes:**
  - **January 12, 2021** – Chair Blair Shock asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Ruben Bulgin made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Bill Lamar. The motion passed unanimously.
4. **Reports:**
  - **OHS Update:** Chelsey informed the board that WebGrants, the online portal for grant submissions, would open April 1 and close April 30 at 5PM for the SHSP Regionalization grant. The [State Homeland Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places \(PSTCP\) grant](#), for mobile crowd control equipment, also opened April 1 and closes on April 30 at 5PM. The [Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities \(LETPA\) funding opportunity](#) will need to be applied for through the RHSOC first, and is tentatively set to open in early August. The OHS review of SHSP grant applications will occur May 3-June 13, the peer review period will be in the latter part of June, and in July the RHSOC will make recommendations. For the LETPA grant, OHS review will take place August 16-20, with application scoring to take place August 23-31. The Period of Performance (POP) for the SHSP grant is tentatively set for October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2023.
  - **MO Interoperability Center Update:** Bryan Courtney informed the board that new sites to improve interoperability for FY21 would be opening in Kingston, MO, near Interstate 29 north of Mound City, and in Plattsburg, MO. His team is also continuing to support vaccination events. HSAC has approved the State Strategic Interoperability Plan. Bryan reminded participants that when applying for funding for radios, the [Radio Interoperability Guidelines](#) provided specific guidelines on authorized radios, and that portable radios MUST be paired with a mobile radio for any grant applications. CARES Act funding could be used for this type of project, but the American Rescue Plan (ARP) does not explicitly allow for funding to be allocated for this. Bryan also brought up other upcoming projects including the Next Generation 911 funding opportunity, which training would soon be available for online, and a feasibility study for Emergency Service Networks. High turnout is expected for the Thunderbirds performance at the Rosecrans Regional Airport May 1-2 and a 205

(communications plan) has been developed for that. Finally, the [Missouri Public Safety Communications Conference](#) will be May 16-19.

- **Local/Regional Efforts & Initiatives:** No Updates
  - **Chairperson's Update:** Blair reminded EMDs that the deadline for the EMPG grant is Friday, April 16, at 5PM. Blair also informed the board that there will be a Mass Fatality tabletop exercise at Mosaic in St. Joseph on the morning of May 12, with an area coordinators meeting following this at 1:30PM that same day. David Roll or Mike Booth are the contacts for this.
5. **Regional Grant Updates:** Hayley Howard, Mo-Kan Regional Council, highlighted grant updates that were included in the committee packets:
- **FY2019:** Hayley stated that spending was complete on all projects except Work Plan, M & A, and the NTA Ambulance portable radio project. She stated that at the last meeting it was mentioned that remaining balances of over \$2,000 would have to be de-obligated on the NTA radio project since there weren't enough funds for another radio purchase, but portable radio accessories purchases were approved by OHS for that project, so those purchases are underway. FY19 funds must be spent by Oct. 15, 2021.
  - **FY2020:** Hayley reported that procurement is underway for Buchanan County Badging, Buchanan County Comm Vehicle, and Chillicothe SCBA Tanks, and funds for FY20 must be spent by October 15, 2022.
  - **FY2021:** Volunteers for SHSP Application Peer Review were solicited for the peer review period, which will take place in the second half of June 2021. Volunteers included Bill Brinton, Blake Rudel, Keri Barclay, Bill Lamar, Adam Perry, David Roll, and Amy Dowis.
6. **Committee Review / Vacancies / Updates:**  
Hayley stated she reached out to Mike Booth to contact EMDs for the alternate EMD position, and that David Roll (Daviess Co) and Marcus Cassidy (Holt Co) expressed interest. Discussion and a vote on this was tabled until a later date. Bill Brinton nominated Jim Holcomb (Harrison Co) for the alternate Count Commission position for RHSOC, and Adam Perry seconded. The motion carried. Lesley Schulte is no longer with County Health and Kelli Hillerman (Grundy Co Health) was nominated as her replacement. Blake Rudel made the motion to approve Hillerman's appointment, and Bill Brinton seconded. The motion carried.
7. **New / Other Business:**
- **THIRA/SPR update** – Hayley Howard discussed hiring a consultant for contractual support for THIRA. Mo-Kan could submit a request as part of the Work Plan as THIRA is a duty under this plan. The Work Plan is capped at \$25,000 so this would be the cap on this project. A local agency or Mo-Kan could also submit an application to go through the competitive scoring process, but there is a chance this would not be funded. Names suggested for a consultant included the following: Bill Lamar suggested George Albert, the retired Chief at Liberty; Amy Dowis suggested her intern from Northwest Missouri State who will be graduating soon; and David Roll recommend the group reach out to Green Hills Regional Planning Commission.
8. **Next Meeting:** The date for the next meeting is July 14, 2021, at 13:30.
9. **Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by R.T. Turner and seconded by Ruben Bulgin. Meeting adjourned at 14:18.tr