ACCEM EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
7200 BARRISTER DRIVE, BOISE
ADA COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER
(AND VIA WEBEX)

MARCH 14, 2022 2:30 PM

**SUMMARY MINUTES**

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Kendra Kenyon, Commissioner, Ada County, Chair
Rod Beck, Commissioner, Ada County
John Evans, Mayor, City of Garden City
Robert Simison, Mayor, City of Meridian
Joe Stear, Mayor, City of Kuna, Vice Chair
Trevor Chadwick, Mayor, City of Star
Jason Pierce, Mayor, City of Eagle
Lauren McLean, Mayor, City of Boise

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS ATTENDING: Ryan Davidson, Commissioner, Ada County
Joe Lombardo, Ada County Emergency Management
Lori Beck, Ada County Emergency Management
Anne Duhm, Ada County Commissioners
Crash Marusich, Ada County Emergency Management
Paul Daugle, Ada County Highway District
Charlie Butterfield, Deputy Chief, Meridian Fire
Rachel Holford, City of Boise
Mary May, Ada County Highway District

CALL TO ORDER
Chair Kenyon called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM and held round table introductions.

I. AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES
None.

II. ACTION ITEMS
Summary Minutes: December, 13, 2021
Motion was made by Mayor Chadwick to approve the Summary Minutes as listed on the agenda. Commissioner Beck seconded. The motion passed.

III. OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS
Mary May, President of Ada County Highway District Commission (ACHD) was recognized as the new ACHD representative. Commissioner Alexis Pickering as recognized as their alternate. The City of Boise will be appointing a new member to the Executive Council, City Councilman Holli Woodings, who will be approved by City Council by Council resolution.

IV. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Emergency Management Priorities and Efforts

Reviewing information from the National Weather Service (NWS), it was explained that the risk of flooding for the coming Spring season appeared to be below average based on current snowpack, reservoir levels and the precipitation forecast.

Chair Kenyon raised the question of drought and how Emergency Management and Community Resilience could help its partners explore and address the mission space for addressing hazard. Given that the issue is regional in scope and involves a water infrastructure that the County and its partner jurisdictions do not necessarily own or maintain, participants considered holding a drought mitigation workshop that could address how we could conserve water resources. Participants also addressed the impact of drought on wildfires, emphasizing the importance of pre-event mitigation and education. Chief Butterfield agrees.

Ada County Emergency Management and Community Resilience will be hosting a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Active Shooter Incident management course next week (March 22-24) at the Ada County Fairgrounds. Attendees include Emergency Medical Services, Law Enforcement and Fire agencies. We are also working through the procurement processes to acquire professional support for building response capabilities for active shooter/hostile event incidents. The subject matter experts being sought will develop an After-Action Report (AAR) for the Boise Towne Square Mall shooting and help update current Active Shooter response plans. By end of year, there are plans for block training/exercise event to test these response concepts.

To address changes to our risk exposure, a working group composed of representatives from emergency management, fire, law enforcement, and other response agencies have been rescoping the concept of operations for distributing all-threats/all-hazards alerts and warnings with specific focus on evacuations.

Emergency Management has multiple, on-going planning projects and several planning initiatives for the near future, including:

- Mass Casualty and Mass Fatality Incident Plans, in coordination with EMS agencies and the Ada County Coroner
- The Debris Management Plan (finalized)
- Ada County Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Updates to County and City Emergency Operations Plans
- Disaster Recovery Plan
B. **Technical Advisory Group (TAG)- Update Chief Butterfield, Meridian Fire Dept.**

Meridian Fire and Police Departments submitted a Grant Project Application (GPA) for communications upgrades to their joint mobile incident command trailer. Recent assessments of the unit have identified some upgrades that will improve public and responder life safety, such as Wi-Fi, computer monitors, weather monitoring, portable radio charging stations and batteries. These amongst other upgrades that would include an automatic power transfer switch, electric self-leveling jacks and electric awnings with wind sensors. Capability improvements would increase communications ability and speed as well as make set up of the unit rapid and efficient. This could also speed up the arrival of additional resources, reduce casualties, improve overall coordination/communications of an incident and possibly reduce overload on the dispatch system.

ACCEM members requested an updated quote for the improvements. The motion was made and approved. The grant application passed.

C. **Questions:** Participants asked that the next Executive Council (June, 2022) include an update on fire season and response.

V. **ADJOURNMENT 3:10 PM**