

Emergency Preparedness Committee of the City of Chaffee

Meeting Minutes

August 5 ,2008 07:00 PM

Present: Kevin Payne, Loretta Mohorc, Pat Lizenbee, Lee Horton, Nancy Smith, Sam Glency, John Swinford

Next meeting: September 9, 2008, 07:00 PM, City Hall Council Room

I. Announcements

- a. Reading of minutes.

II. Discussion

- a. Grants for equipment upgrades
 - i. Mitzy Dell has presented a quote for a storm-warning siren that can be purchased with an available rural development grant. The quote is \$17950.00 from Storm Sirens, Inc for a 128 Decibel at 100 feet omni-directional siren that can be heard over approximately 3.7 miles. The quote is for installation including a 45' foot pole. The cities matching portion is \$8077.50. Placement will be behind city hall attached to the current generator.
 - ii. Given the current budget crisis ideas were submitted on how to generate the cities matching portion. Local organizations have been generous in the past and may be able to help. Mentioned were the Elks, CB'ers club, VFW, and VFW Ladies Auxiliary. Insurance companies and the ministerial alliance may also be sources for donations. Half of the required \$8077.50 could be raised with the balance requested from the cities general fund.
 - iii. Mitzy Dell will be at the 8/18/08 city council meeting to present the proposal and answer any questions.
- b. Mention was made of contacting 911 in regards to dispatching weather watchers earlier when it is necessary in order to facilitate timely storm warning activation.
- c. Sam Glency has floor plans for the Chaffee nursing home and is reviewing them for the fire department and emergency preparedness needs.
- d. The nutrition center generator is almost ready to be connected.
- e. Kevin Payne manned the booth at German Day on august 1 & 2 and made a few contacts. Nancy Smith was one contact that was present as a result of German Day and was welcomed to the committee meeting.
- f. Position of Local director was discussed and potential nominees will be contacted.
- g. Ideas were again discussed to boost participation in the Emergency Preparedness Committee
 - i. Signs announcing meetings will be placed in public places
 - ii. A suggestion was made to contact the boy scouts, churches and other groups to generate interest.