

## **Greene County COAD / Citizen Corps Meeting October 10, 2017 9:30am – 11:00am – Public Safety Center**

### **I. Welcome and Call to Order (affirm quorum) 9:38 am Debi Meeds**

In Attendance: Larry Woods, OEM; Samantha Foster, OEM; Lindsey Mericle, OEM; Erin Hedlun, OEM; Don Smillie, Just Serve; Shea Lane, CCSOMO; Amanda Cooley, CCSOMO; Mark Applegate, Senior Age; Kathryn Custer, YMCA; Brendan Griesemer, COS Planning; Russ Conroy, Mercy; Rachel Moore, Crossline; Shannon Porter, SCIL; Janis Hall, Adventist Community Services; John Elmore, CoxHealth; Andee Elmore, COS Health Dept.; Debi Meeds, United Way

Shea: Treasurer's report - \$26806.05, no expenditures since the last meeting.

#### **Chair Report:**

- By-laws change – create a position called “chair elect” and do away with term limits, vice chair will always be the EMD (or designee). Chair must be NGO and Chair elect will follow the Chair (thus will be a NGO also). No discussions regarding changes to the by-laws Russ made the motion to approve, Janis seconded the motion, none opposed, motion carries.
  
- Officer Elections – have asked for nominees for chair position, no nominees have come forward, floor opened for any nominees, none heard. Debi voted in as chair, no opposition. Chair elect position nominee Shea Lane, any other nominations, nominations closed, Shea elected. Treasurer position will be filled by John Elmore as appointed by Debi.

#### **Long Term Recovery Committee – Case Management:**

- Shea reports that he is the liaison for Catholic Charities for COAD, work is primarily being accomplished by the Case Managers. Case Managers have been assigned to those who have responded from the 2015-2016 (December/January) flooding event. Some clients can take 2-3 years to process through the recovery to find their new normal. Amanda reports that Case managers help to find resources to meet the needs of those impacted. Three households in Greene County are tier 4 (severe, immediate needs). One household may need to be addressed through the COAD as they are in need of a furnace. All other options are considered before being brought before the COAD. 100% of the outreach has been completed. Debi reports that if a need is less than \$1000, the board can approve those purchases. In the case that a need exceeds \$1000, the COAD group must approve the need via email or potentially a conference call.

#### **Orientation to COAD – Overview of role of voluntary agencies in Emergency Management:**

- The orientation packet explains all of the roles of the various agencies and how we are contacted in the case of an emergency. Each DRF will discuss its plan in the case that

the recovery plan is activated, each of these DRFs will present in the coming meetings, plan will be updated – entire COAD will be educated about all of the functions individually and how they work together for long term recovery including how everyone will be notified.

- Debi reviewed IS 288 basics including a timeline of disasters and lessons learned bringing us to how we respond today, each disaster shapes future disaster response. Main purpose and goal is to support the OEM and their work and then to continue with recovery efforts.

**April meeting:**

- We will present to City Council at their regular council meeting. We will discuss the purpose the COAD and will take them through a table top exercise.

**July Meeting:**

- July we will discuss community resources. Most of us have “day jobs” that look different than our response efforts. We will discuss WebEOC and 211. Crisis response website for help in coordinate physical labor-type efforts including mucking, construction, etc.

**October Meeting:**

- October agenda will be based on agency updates and needs – what would you like to see?

**Agency updates:**

Larry – working to get staffing levels back to where they need to be, EOC workshop coming up the first of November (EOC process, how to work inside the EOC, what your role would be in the EOC), Larry deployed for hurricane Irma and part of Maria. Long term recovery for Texas and the Islands will be quite extensive.

Samantha – Will be sending out EOC workshop notification for November 2, completed an audit of their volunteers, approximately 90, CERT class just completed spring class has been scheduled. Trying to keep volunteers active by quarterly meetings and a recertification program every three years. Shea suggested connecting CERT members with LTR needs.

Lindsey – no additional updates

Erin – just wrapped up national preparedness month to help people get more prepared, this is fire awareness week and cyber security month

Don – JustServe.org, free community website, self posting for community or agency needs, new organization in Springfield Greene County Inclusion Partnership, Elizabeth arc of the Ozarks – they are interested in improving community access for those with functional needs

Shea – encourages members to bring someone to the group

Amanda – one of two case managers that cover all of the central Missouri counties, their operation grant has been extended through the end of the year – case managers will continue to stay with those who have needs

Mark – 37 senior centers, has worked with several service organizations

Kathryn – with Ozarks regional YMCA, new to Springfield (2 months), makes sense for them to be a part of the group, large childcare provider, physical facilities throughout Southwest Missouri, health and wellness programs, their facilities can be mass care facilities – kitchens, showers, restrooms, usually is an evacuation center in an emergency

Russ – no agency updates

Shannon – disability resource center, just met with Red Cross in order to potentially become a shelter, durable medical equipment source

Janis – works at Mercy and represents Adventist Community Services – Disaster Response, they maintain a large warehouse of clothing, shoes, some household items, some furniture, works with Red Cross for needs referrals, following the flooding – Penske truck rentals now partners with the Adventist to provide free moving

John – no agency updates, Cox will be acquiring an additional hospital in Barton County

Andee – flu season has begun with the first reported case established this week, director has announced retirement

Debi – United Way, campaign is currently underway, looking at State United Way and how they can work to promote, how can we look at the opioid epidemic and how this will impact disaster response.

Meeting adjourned at: 1105 am

Andee Elmore  
Secretary