

April 17, 2014
City Council Chambers
100 E Ave A
Jerome, Idaho

Attendance

Chris Taylor – American Red Cross, **Clint Blackwood** – Jerome County EMA, **Arthur Brown** – PIO Jerome, **Baldwin Camin** – LEPC/JPP, **Gary Davis** – BHS, **Linda Underwood**, JC Airport, **Larry Goolsby** – Jerome County LEPC/EMA/ARC, **Doug McFall** – Jerome Sheriff, Lt. **Dan Kennedy** – Jerome Co Sheriff, **Diana Ochsner** – Red Cross, **Eddie D. Paterson** – The Salvation Army, **Tami Pearson** – SCPHD, **Cathy Roemer** – Jerome County Commissioner, **Eric Zechmann** – BLM Twin Falls District, **Tom Askew** – BLM Twin Falls, **Lisa Schutzberger** – BLM TF, **Jay Michaels** – Return to Snake River, **Scott Truax** – Return to Snake River, **John Kurtz** – BLM, **Glenna Lawrence** – Jerome County OEM Assistant,

Welcome

Baldwin Camin, chairman, called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone in attendance and invited members to introduce themselves.

LEPC

Minutes for March 20, 2014 LEPC meeting were reviewed, corrected and approved.

Old Business

Clint gives us a Grant Update: On our Grants we were very successful in spending the monies for 2011 and 2012 grants which closed as of last Tuesday as far as our obligation period. Clint says we are still working on the Radio Tower, we haven't heard back from BHS. We are still waiting for federal approval on the Environmental and Historic Preservation Documents we had to submit along with it. Just as soon as we get accepted and approved then we will get the approval for the Tower Equipment itself. It has taken a large part of the monies but to make sure we didn't lose out on the balance of the dollars we secured and have received approval to purchase an x-ray scanner for security for the annex. Similar to what you would find in any of the airports. We also have obligated monies under the Citizens Corp Program and the Community Preparedness Program to purchase some student manuals, instructor manuals and CERT training equipment. Under the Community Preparedness we were able to have the funding to print 4500 Community Emergency Preparedness workbooks. We will now be able to

mail these out to the community and distribute them to the households in Jerome County. We are now ready to move forward with 2013 and 2014 grants.

Several reported on the PIO training held April 8th and 9th in Twin Falls. Dianna Oshsner says it was an awesome training and having media as a friend and not as an enemy is what she got out of the class. Art Brown says it was very interesting and recommends it to everyone. Chris Taylor also says the interesting thing about the class it gave you the insight and aspect involved being in front of mass media and paying attention to certain situations that may be going on behind you. Gary Davis says it is a good course for anyone being spokesmen in any group. Also Baldwin Camin added that he would like the County to be aware of the PIO training they just went too. He feels in the long run they understand how we can work better together and have team cooperation.

New Business

Scott Truax and Jay Michaels filled in for Scott Record and gave us the update on the Canyon Rim Jump Sept 1st and answers any questions and concerns from the LEPC group. Jay introduces himself and Scott Truax as “Return to Snake River”. Jay says last week they officially divided the responsibilities with Scott Record. Scott has intended on a music festival around the post jump which they have scheduled for Sept 1st. They want to launch east of the Hansen Bridge from private land and one side and private land on the other. They have made it a point to apply for all the necessary permits and Jay says it is LOTs of homework. They want to make sure they are covered themselves and want to be safe along with all the agencies and spectators. Jays says at this point in time they are looking at limiting people on site to 500. They are in the process of building three rockets, two for testing. They have met with Bureau of Land Management, Department of Land, Jerome County officials, Art Brown, Attorney Mike Seib, Clint Blackwood, the County Commissioners, Doug McFall and Jack Johnson to answer questions and brief them so far. Several question were asked by the LEPC group and this is the report and update Scott Truax gives us: We have two separate goals in mind; Scott Record is still planning and moving forward with his intentions, the 25,000 and a festival and their plan (Scott Traux and Jay Michaels) want the 500 because it is more manageable and you can have that many without a permit. They can launch the rocket; have 500 VIP passes for friends and family, support crew, and TV cameras as well. Scott Traux says that is all they need. Scott T also comments; the rocket project is fully funded and the festival requires major sponsorship so it just made sense to separate the two. Scott T says they can’t answer for the 25,000 number only what they guarantee with the smaller number of 500.

Most likely at this point everything will take place on site. They were debating to do it out of the warehouse but now the ramp is being erected on the site. They have to walk a fine line; the rocket launch seems like the safest thing as walking outside your door to the network and to insurance companies. There will be a test launch but as secretly as possible to avoid the public. The Rocket is launched off from a 100 foot steel ramp which is under construction as we speak and will be erected on site within the month; they have already started on some site work. They

will first do a static test where they hold the rocket down to the ramp so it don't fly off and data such as the thrust, temperature and pressure, etc. etc. can be measured. This will assure that the parachute will function better than in the good old days. Then they will do a test launch and then Sept 1st Eddie Braun will fly across the canyon successfully and their legacy will be complete.

The wind seems to pick up in the afternoon so their plan is to launch before noon. They have a window of about 12 mph of wind and if it is above that they may have to consider postponing it. The way they are perusing the launch is two separate entities, Scott Traux and his group are taking care of traffic mitigation strategies for an event of 500 people, and Scott Record is taking care of traffic mitigation for 25,000. There is an overlap and has been brought up several times; 'What are you going to do with the 25,000 people that show up' to see it and you only have a permit for 500? Scott T says that in a month or so we will know if it will be 25,000 or 500. If it turns out to be 500 there will be a pretty expensive media campaign to say that the best place to see this is from your living room sofa where they will have more access, stories, and more angles than being there in person. He says they also have an Engineering Company attached to handle traffic mitigation strategy and security consultant Bill Hanchey who has done a lot of events before, and he will be in contact with various law enforcement agencies in the state and county for assistance.

Scott Traux has agreed to come give us a monthly report and keep us updated. They have a facebook page 'Return to Snake River' they will be putting updates on also. Scott Traux is the project manager on the rocket end of things, and you can contact him with questions (801-645-7557). Jay Michaels (208-751-9060) is over the media and governmental aspects.

The question of selling tickets and to whom came up and Scott Traux would like to see the hard core Evil Knievel fans get first picks, Eddie Braun's would like to make a certain amount available to charity like Wounded Warriors and then have a certain number available for local. This is all still yet to be determined and considering maybe the lottery be part of the ticket.

Anyone with concerns and or questions for Scott Record, he can be reached at 208-320-8786, his office is on 266 Blue Lakes Boulevard North, his email address is scottrecord@omegapointproductions.com and website is www.omegapointproductions.com.

Training Opportunities/Exercises

April 23rd - BHS#5 Spring Thing 2014 TTX – Pocatello Idaho – ISU-Idaho State University – Pond Student Union Bldg., 1065 S Cesar Chavez, Bldg. 14 at 9am to 3pm.

April 28th - BHS Fusion Liaison Officer (FLO) Basic (apply at www.isp.idaho.gov/icic/) in Boise Idaho, Police Department, 333 N Mark Stall Pl – Training Facility from 8 am

April 29-30 - Fusion Liaison Officer Intermediate in Boise Idaho Police Department, 333 N Mark Stall Pl – Training Facility from 8am to 5pm.

April 29th – Incident Command System/Emergency Operations Center, at the South Central Public Health District, 1020 Washington St N, Twin Falls, Id 83301. Training begins at 9:00am and lunch is on your own. Register by April 22nd

8 hr. HAZWOPER Annual refreshers (*Required for those that have completed the 40 hr. Initial HAZWOPER Training (Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response under OSHA 29 CFR 1920.120 regulations).*)

April 29th - BLM Shoshone Fire Ready Room in Shoshone, ID - 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

May 1st - BLM Twin Falls District at the Rock Creek Fire Training Room (Kimberly, ID) - 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

May 8th - BLM Burley Field Office Warehouse Fire Ready Room (Burley, ID) - 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Thomas Askew asks if there are groups such as Firefighters that are interested in attending that they give him a tentative head count for how many they anticipate coming and which venue they plan to attend. This is so he can ensure that they have chairs for them as well as sufficient handout materials.

Thomas Askew also says they have the "Great American Cleanup" being co-sponsored by BLM and a local ATV/UTV trail riding association. This will take place on **May 10th (Saturday)** and is open to all that would like to participate and have fun with a great bunch of people. This will begin at 8:00 am and end at Noon. Thomas says he isn't sure where the staging area will be designated this year as that location changes from year to year but is usually easy to find by following the Devil's Coral Road to the East from Highway 93. BLM has volunteer forms to fill out for the general public participating in this which will cover insurance for the event and will also have a limited supply of gloves and trash bags for the participants to use. The ATV/UTV group has always had a lunch of Pizza donated to them by local merchant sponsors, which everyone that participates gets to enjoy.

May 12th - BHS (USCG) Inland Search and Rescue Planning Course, Boise Idaho Public Safety Building Annex, 7180 Barrister Dry – Meeting Room, 8am to 5pm.

May 14-15 - BHS (MGT-315) Enhanced Threat and Risk Assessment (16 hrs) in Rigby Idaho Transportation Dept., 206 N Yellowstone – Training Area.

May 21st - V-0023 – Pandemic Flu Virtual Tabletop Exercise Series (VTTX)-South Central Public Health District – SCPHD _ Twin Falls Office, 1020 Washington St N – Combined Classroom – 10am to 2pm

June 17th, 18th and 19th - Airliner Crash Scenario, SCPHD facility in Twin Falls.

July 23rd - Stadium Arena Scenario, SCPHD facility in Twin Falls.

Training opportunities through the Independent study training that may be helpful for the first responders. Go to www.ruraltraining.org/training/online/. There are a few of the many DHS-certified courses available by the RDPC (Rural Domestic Preparedness Consortium). If you would like to learn more about the RDPC (which is a web access independent study) visit www.ruraltraining.org, email info@ruraltraining.org, or the help desk is also available at (877) 855-7372. One course is “*The Event Security Planning for Public Safety Professionals*”, again it is a self-paced-web based online course. There are also a number of courses being offered under EMI (Emergency Management Institute) and are virtual tabletop exercises, sponsored by South Central Public Health District. Several upcoming training opportunities, go to www.idahoprepares.com, and register online.

Many Independent Study courses are available at <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/>

Agency Reports:

Art Brown – Ed Beckley plans to have an event at the Jerome County Fairgrounds. Friday afternoon and evening, September 5th and 6th 2014, community-development events and monster truck, etc. etc. On Sept 7th he plans to do the jump and have an ongoing event between 6AM-10 PM. You may find the application on the website; <http://www.jeromecountyid.us>. Art passes a map around showing where the jump will take place.

Tami Pearson – They are offering IC100 and IC200 classes for their people, and everyone is invited to attend on June 6th (IC100) and November 6th (IC200).

Eddie D. Paterson – The training on April 4 & 5, 2014 went very well, and because of it the local area trainees will be participating in an Emergency Mock Disaster training exercise May 10th with the Boise County LEPC near Placerville Idaho.

Our Next Jerome LEPC Meeting

May 15, 2014

1pm – 2pm

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