

**Regional Parish Office of Homeland Security and  
Emergency Preparedness Directors Subcommittee  
State of Louisiana**

**JOHN BEL EDWARDS**  
GOVERNOR



**EARL EUES**  
CHAIRMAN

Regional Parish OHSEP Director's Monthly Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at 1:00 PM  
GOHSEP Headquarters  
7667 Independence Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA

**ATTENDEES**

Earl Eues, Joe Stewart, James Waskom, Toni Rochelle, Pam Roussel, Darren Guidry, Darryl Delatte, Brain Spillman, John Rahaim, Lee John, Collins Simoneaux, Kevin Breaux, Chris Guilbeaux, Christina Dayries, Danielle Aymond, Neal Brown, Kenneth Moore, Doug Zettlemoyer, Jeffrey Giering, Casey Tingle

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**WELCOME \ ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Meeting started at 1:02 PM. Earl Eues called the meeting to order completed roll call and welcomed everyone.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Brian Spillman a motion to approve the minutes and John Rahaim seconded the motion. There were no opposition. The August 15, 2017 minutes were approved.

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**GOHSEP UPDATES**

James Waskom

- Hurricane Harvey lessons learned in response to the State of Texas; focusing on sheltering and transportation.
- We will be looking in the a coach bus contract- cost to turn versus not using
- We are looking into purchasing 50 Bluebird buses by using some type of Grant Funding.
- The buses will be maintained by the National Guard the estimated cost should be around \$50, 000 per bus.
- Director Waskom will be meeting with the State Fire Marshal in the future to discuss Shelter Capacity.
- GOHSEP's EMAC is assisting Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico with Irma, Harvey and Maria.
- Director Waskom is due testify in front of the Homeland Security Subcommittee listened learned.
- The Agency is working on one Emergency Management Bill for the Legislative Session to address issues such as Donation Solicitation and Immunity Provisions during disasters

- We are looking to work with the Cajun Navy to try and bring them in the EM Structure to have a more Coordinated Rescue Effort. We would like to have them properly trained and give them immunity when rescuing people and workmen's compensation
- All Parishes are ask to please inform GOHSEP, if they currently working with the Cajun Navy Group
- The director has offered them a seat in the EOC and would like to see them work at the local level.
- Re-entry Software Program offered to the State by contractor (Sarah) a motion was made by John Rahaim and Seconded by Brian Spillman not to allow vendor to present at the next meeting.

### **2018 Director's Conference**

Christina Dayries

- The conference will have an exercise to get an EMPG credit.
- Registration is open on the GOHSEP Website.
- We would like the finalize the Agenda, please submit and additional topics or suggestions by October 20, 2017.

### **Hazard Mitigan Updates**

Casey Tingle

- March application deadline was completed and submitted
- The next deadline coming up is the non- disaster grant. The application period is now open. It is a complete process for Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA), Pre-disaster Mitigation (PDM) are both annual grant programs. The timing period is based upon when the appropriation will happen and the funding piece. They will close the mid of November. Our deadline is thirty days short of the deadline.
- An MHU's extension has been asked for as a waiver to remove the penalties regarding fair market and rentals.

### **Pre Disaster Emergency Declaration & Reimbursement**

Danielle Aymond

- Applicant briefing is online for current disasters. You may also request an in house briefing.
- Reviewed the differences between the Emergency Declaration versus the Major Declaration.

### **Open Discussion**

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- FIRST NET - Please click the link below to access the most recent information on the Opt In decision by Governor Edwards and the points of contact for AT&T.  
[http://firstnet.louisiana.gov/news/index\\_Optin.html](http://firstnet.louisiana.gov/news/index_Optin.html)  
As a point of information, Brad Smith is no longer with LA FirstNet
- Updates were given by the Regions
- Rebecca Broussard will be the next Region 4 Director as of November 1, 2017

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Next meeting will be VTC on November 14, 2017.

GOHSEP Holiday Luncheon will be on December 12, 2017 at the JFO.

A motion to adjourn was made by John Rahaim

Motion was seconded by Neal Brown

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM