

PRICE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: July 22, 2020

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101; 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI

Meeting called to order by Robert Kopisch, Chairperson at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: Present – James Hintz, Paula Houdek, Robert Kopisch, Larry Palecek, Dennis Wartgow. Also present – Nick Trimner, Waldemar Madsen, Michelle Edwards, Leanna Samardich, Roxanne Kahan, Brian Schmidt.

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Communications and Correspondences: None.
2. Minutes from the May 28, 2020 Meeting: Motion Houdek/Palecek to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2020 meeting as approved. Motion carried.
3. COVID-19 – Nick Trimner: National Guard soldiers are assisting with free testing today from 10am – 7pm.
 - a. County Status Update: Currently at 16 positive cases.
 - b. Current Issues: A County employee tested positive. Contact tracing resulted in eight employees needing to be quarantined/isolated for 14 days. Per the Federal COVID Family First Act, employers provide up to 80 hours, or full-time equivalent, to those employees. Department involved has tightened up safety protocol.
 - c. Employee Procedures: Some departments are requiring face coverings. Discussion on requiring for all County employees.
4. Review of Chapter 323, Wis. Stats., Emergency Management: Discussion on Emergency Management on the State and County levels and the function of the Emergency Operation Center. Reiterated that no broad emergency decrees will be made without approval by governing body. Will provide a similar review at the next County Board meeting.
5. Next Meeting Date: As needed.
6. Meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk