



MOBILE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 12, 2022

PRESENT:

Chief A. Shayne Lovitte, City of Saraland
Executive Director Lawrence Battiste, City of Mobile
Mr. Eddie Kerr, Mobile County: VIA PHONE-IN
Mr. Ronnie Adair, MCEMA
Mr. Mike Evans, MCEMA
Mr. Glen Brannan, MCEMA
Mrs. Diane Murphy, MCEMA
Mr. Patrick Dungan, Adams & Reese Attorneys

Chief Lovitte called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 2021 MINUTES: Director Battiste made a motion to approve the December 2021 minutes; Chief Lovitte seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 2021 CHECK REGISTERS: Director Battiste made a motion to approve, which was seconded by Mr. Kerr. Chief Lovitte asked about the remaining bills on the McGregor Avenue EOC. Most final utility bills have been paid except for two AT&T accounts. The property insurance is being reviewed and adjusted. The December check registers were approved.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS: Director Battiste made a motion to approve the financial reports. Mr. Kerr seconded the motion, and the December financial reports were approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- COVID-19 Ongoing – Mobile is dealing with the Omicron variant now and everyone is doing what they can. Currently, nothing is shut down and there are some mask requirements. Infections appear to be on a downward trend locally.
- EOP Update – There has been significant movement with the EOC update. Mobile County Commission approved allowing us to work through their existing contract with Hagerty. The MOAs have been signed and ready to return to Tina Sanchez. Once in place, Mr. Evans can contact Hagerty to begin the updating process.
- Public Siren Media Campaign – The siren phase-out was presented at the LEPC meeting in December and there was no opposition. The third phase is to prepare a media campaign to go out to the citizens. Mr. Evans distributed a draft of the media update from Sharee Broussard for review. There was a discussion about the best candidate to use for a quote. Mr. Kerr said Commissioner Ludgood would be a good spokesperson, but it may be good to have multiple people. Chief Lovitte

thought it would be good to have the three sections represented: City, County, and municipalities. Director Battiste agrees and thinks the elected body of the City should be a part of the quotes, which would most likely be the Mayor. Chief Lovitte should be the person presenting the local municipalities. Mr. Evans will include Anitra Henderson, City of Mobile, to coordinate with Sharee Broussard in working with Mayor Stimpson. After the campaign is released, the local media will most likely want to speak with someone. There will also be a 35-40 second video clip released which will be taken from the big video. Periodically, there will be a release updating which siren locations are no longer working. When the last siren is out of service, a release will be made stating there are no more working county sirens. These releases will also be a reminder of the more efficient means of receiving emergency alerts.




- Storage Building Construction Project – The legal ads begin today and will run for three weeks. The pre-bid meeting for interested parties will be on February 7th. The bid opening will be on March 7th.
- Security Camera/Access Points Access – Mr. Brannan reported we are waiting for an electrical line to be put in place for the front gate camera. Then we will proceed with Team One to finish this project.
- COVID-19 HMGP Update – Four letters of intent have been received. The Mitigation Committee will meet on January 26th to review the submitted projects for submission to Alabama EMA.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Personnel Action – Mr. Evans discussed the Plans and Operations Officer positions and asked for approval to fill the fourth P&O Officer I position. The cost of this position will be covered by the savings from the 348 McGregor Avenue facility. Director Battiste made a motion to open this position with the understanding that budget savings for McGregor will cover the cost. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kerr and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: The next meeting will be held on February 9th, 2021, at 1:30 p.m. With no further business to be discussed, Chief Lovitte made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Director Battiste, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:01 p.m.

APPROVED AND SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF February, 2021:

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