

Emergency Management Board  
Meeting Minutes  
December 5, 2019  
7:00 am – 8:00 am

The Grand Forks Emergency Management Board met on Thursday, December 05, 2019 at 7:00 AM in the Emergency Operations Center, 122 S 5 St, Grand Forks. Board members present were Diane Knauf, Michelle Rakoczy and Heather Everson.

I. Call to Order

Diane Knauf, Emergency Management Board Chair, called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from Emergency Management Board meeting held on November 14, 2019. Heather Everson made a motion to approve the minutes. Michelle Rakoczy second. All in favor. Motion passed. Diane stated that Kari presented the three-year and a five-year multi-year contracts with VEOCI at the Commission Meeting on November 19. The County Commission approved the three-year contract with VEOCI.

III. New Business

A) JPA Renewal – Current JPA expired in August

Board members reviewed each section of the Joint Powers Agreement between Grand Forks City and Grand Forks County to discuss updates to the original Joint Powers Agreement signed on August 15, 1989. Kari will meet with the State's Attorney to discuss county policies and Century Code considerations for the suggested changes to the JPA. Kari will bring the reflected changes back to the Board at the next meeting.

B) The Board members reviewed the applications submitted for the Representative At Large position. Interviews for the position are scheduled to take place on Friday, January 2 in the EOC.

IV Discussion

Cass County has submitted a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to Grand Forks County to request mutual assets during an event. An MOU has to be in place in order to receive reimbursement of disaster recovery projects from FEMA associated with a Presidentially declared disaster.

The NDDES has requested that counties submit hours for volunteer efforts during the fall rain and snow in order to assist the Governor in declaring a FEMA Disaster Declaration.

Next Board Meeting is rescheduled **for January 2 at 7:00 AM** in the EOC.

V. Adjournment.

Michelle Rakoczy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Diane Knauf second the motion. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 AM.