

Richland County Emergency Management
Committee Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2020 at 2pm

Attendance: Kerry Severson; Jeanetta Kirkpatrick; Marty Brewer; Darin Gudgeon.

Absent: Not applicable.

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:10pm.
2. Notification was given and the agenda was posted. A motion was made by Kirkpatrick and seconded by Brewer to approve the agenda. The agenda was approved.
3. Brewer made a motion to approve the last meetings minutes, seconded by Kirkpatrick. Minutes were approved.
4. Gudgeon informed the Committee that there was no federal declaration for flood-related damages in 2019, however there were damages reported in the county. A conversation has taken place with state officials who have advised that an application should be submitted to the State for a CDBG-EAP Block Grant. The application will be for \$300,000 and be administered by Neighborhood Housing Services, as they have previously administered these grant funds with success. Brewer made a motion to apply for and accept these grant funds, seconded by Kirkpatrick. In discussion, it was noted that there are four known homes with flood damages in Buena Vista, six homes in Lone Rock, and one at the county line in Spring Green township that need assistance. The funds could be given to homeowners at up to 80% of the home's value and would be only for rehab, not acquisition. The funding would be for any county resident that can prove flood damages from 2019. The motion carried. There is a process that must be followed, including a public hearing, and then the item will go before the County Board.
5. The next meeting was tentatively set for April 10, 2020 at 2pm.
6. Kirkpatrick made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Brewer. The meeting adjourned at 2:22pm.