

**Nevada State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)
Funding Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday January 19, 2021
9:30am**

A. COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Matt Griego, Chairman
Richard Brenner
Karen Luna
Lance Chantler
Susan Crowley
Dennis Nolan
TJ Qualls
Christina Wilson, SERC Coordinator
Brandi Salisbury, SERC Administrator

OTHERS PRESENT

Nathan Hastings, Senior Deputy Attorney General

1. CALL TO ORDER (Non-action Item)

Christina Wilson called the meeting to order.

2. ROLL, CONFIRM QUORUM AND INTRODUCTIONS (Non-action Item)

Christina Wilson called roll and a quorum was confirmed.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT (NON-ACTION ITEM)

Matt Griego reported no action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. Public comments are limited to three minutes unless the Committee elects to extend the comments for purposes of further discussion. Comments will not be restricted based on viewpoint. There were no public comments.

4. APPROVAL OF September 23, 2020 MEETING- (DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Matt Griego reported the Funding Committee may review and approve, with or without changes or deny, the minutes of the September 23, 2020 Funding Committee meeting. **Richard Brenner made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 23, 2020 meeting. Susan Crowley seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried.**

5. REVIEW OF THE UNITED WE STAND GRANT SECOND ROUND GRANT APPLICATION- (For Discussion/For Possible Action)

Brandi Salisbury reported that agenda item 5 is being pulled due to the lack of funds to support it for the next fiscal year.

6. REVIEW OF FFY21 HMEP MID-CYCLE GRANT APPLICATIONS- (For Discussion/For Possible Action)

Matt Griego reported the Committee may review FFY21 HMEP Grant Applications, and may approve, approve with contingencies, or deny such applications.

Elko County:

Matt Griego reported that Elko County submitted a HMEP application in the total of \$53,000 for blue card command training, train the trainer course in order to receive certification and then continue to provide training regionally.

Christina Wilson reported that all requirements have been met and that this grant has already been approved by FEMSA.

Susan Crowley asked how this fits into the state fire marshal's training program.

Christina Wilson responded that the county received a letter of declination from the state fire marshal's office due to the fact that the fire marshal's office was not able to provide assistance on the target date of the training. Nonetheless, the fire marshal's office does support this training.

Richard Brenner indicated that the family doing the instruction is that of former Phoenix Fire Chief Alan Brunacini, who developed a program that ultimately led to ICS, Incident Command System, and opined that this is a phenomenal program. Mr. Brenner informed the Commission that the blue-card system for certification is to educate not just firefighters and fire service on incident command, but also the public safety industry.

Richard Brenner made a recommendation to approve this HMEP grant application from Elko County. Susan Crowley seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT (Non-Action Item)

Lance Chantler reported that he received his packet from the governor's office for his reappointment.

Susan Crowley thanked Chair Greigo for taking on the role of Chairman of the Commission.

Nathan Hastings questioned whether the removal of agenda item 5 potentially was in violation of the intent of the full SERC.

Brandi Salisbury explained that the United We Stand budget is a non-executive budget and explained that the amount in that budget is not actually what it is there but what is projected to be there by end of fiscal year. As such, to do another round would be detrimental in the next fiscal year and deprive counties of their allotted \$32,000.

Karen Luna reminded the Commission that grant approvals from the funding committee are based upon available funding and if the funding is not available, SERC cannot approve the grants.

Richard Benner recommended adding this topic to the next meeting's agenda.

Brandi Salisbury informed the Commission that the HMEP mid-cycle is the only grant that the committee can approve, and United We Stand would have had to go to the full SERC. Ms. Salisbury informed the Commission that agenda item 5 was a grant pending recommendation for action.

Chair Greigo informed the Committee that he has documented the fact that the funding committee took no action due to lack of funds available.

8. ADJOURNMENT (Discussion/For Possible Action)

Matt Griego stated he would entertain a motion for adjournment.

Susan Crowley made the motion to adjourn. Richard Brenner seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried.

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