

FREDERICK COUNTY
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
Meeting Minutes

DATE: September 13, 2023

TIME: 7:00pm

LOCATION: Winchester Hall, 12 East Church Street - 3rd Floor Meeting Room

Attendees: Leslie Barnes-Keating, FC- Exec's Office; Chris Burt, Red Cross; Shawn Dennison, FC-HD; Dennis Dudley, FC-DEP; Kristie Dutrow FC-DEC; Kelli Goetz, FC-FS; Nathan Hupp, City of Frederick; Todd Johnson, FC-HD; Ron Kunz, NIH; Lloyd Lump, Dairy Maid; Frank Mitchell, WFMD; Tyler Muntz, FC-DPW; Jon Newman, FC-DFRS; Sharon Riddell, FC-DEM; Anthony Rosano, FC-DEM; David Tolino, Trans Tech; Clayton Wenner, FC-DEP; Zach Zaykoski, MDE

CALL TO ORDER: Dennis Dudley called meeting to order at 7:00pm

- Introduction and welcome of LEPC members and guests

MEETING MINUTES

- A motion was made to approve the July 10, 2023, Minutes by Todd Johnson and seconded by Nathan Hupp, the motion was approved by all.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- External Standing Committee
 - AstraZeneca Drill
 - MDE Truck Stop report Zachary Zaykoski, MDE (presentation attached)
 - Brunswick Tanker incident brief presented by Jon Newman, DFRS (report attached)
 - AAR Radiation Surge Region I and II Health Care Coalition report presented by Todd Johnson, Health Department (report attached)
- Internal Standing Committee
 - Reminder this is a public meeting under the MD Open Meetings Act.
 - 2023 Update Website
 - Ensure meeting dates, Agendas and Minutes are posted on Frederick County Government LEPC Website

OLD BUSINESS:

- Constitution and bylaws update
- LEPC Dates 2024: January 8, April 8, July 8 and September date (TBD) for Emergency Preparedness Month.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **NRC Notifications**
 - **Incident Report # 1373766, July 21, 2023 2:29pm**
Location: Old Main Line, Adamstown MD
Description of Incident: Caller is reporting the discovery of a deceased person located near the tracks. Caller stated the person committed suicide. The responding agency was Frederick County Sheriff's Office
- **Other reports**
 - **Costco Incident Report #1625406, July 17, 2023 8:45am**
Location: Costco Depot, 5236 Intercoastal Drive, Monrovia, MD 21770
Description: An unknown vehicle spilled an estimated 5 gallons of fuel. The fuel was not near and did not flow into any drains. The fuel was cleaned up using dry sweep and placed into a containment can and properly disposed of.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION:

Issues/events pertinent to the mission of the LEPC

- Nathan Hupp
 - Highlight National 2023 Preparedness Month theme "Take control 1,2,3 focused on older Americans."
- Todd Johnson
 - Medical Counter Measures exercise will be a notification drill, incident plan for intentional Anthrax attack.
 - Anthrax is fatal unless antibiotics are given rapidly within 48 hours.
 - This will be a closed pod systems drill (government agencies, nursing homes & first responders).
- Shawn Dennison
 - Reinforce the ability to effectively plan due to the relationships we have with our partners.
 - Public Health Preparedness is to focus on a person's well-being in non-medical ways.
- Chris Burt
 - Development stage training for Federal employees that are assigned to standard sheltering.
 - Continue to do fire prevention activities throughout the county – next activity will be a smoke alarm installation in the Jefferson Pike area in October.
- Zach Zaykoski
 - MDE Truck Inspections is the 1st line of defense finding issues before they become issues when stopping vehicles at the weigh station or roadside.
 - We use RAD meters and personal radiation meters when inspecting vehicles; if we get an alert; something may be hidden in vehicle can look into it. We are 1st eyes and not just DOT Enforcement, also law enforcement and terrorism prevention.
- Kelly Goetz
 - Working with Emergency Management to see how to bolster staffing resources and capacities for shelter operations.

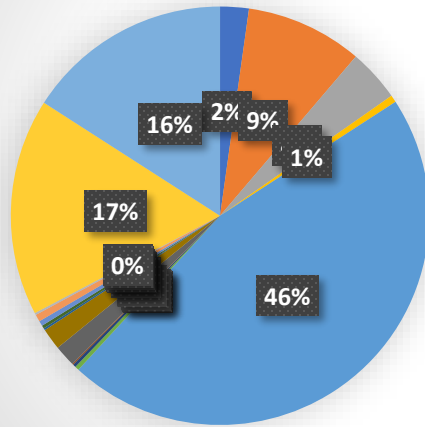
- Working with Red Cross on a full day shelter simulation exercise for the fall
- David Tolino
 - Carroll Manor West View Station will be visiting Trans-Tech in November for a tour of the facility.
 - Annual 8 hours of training for Hazwoper will be held between November and December
- Ron Kunz
 - Thanked all briefers for tonight.
- Lloyd Lump
 - This has been a learning experience today.
- Jon Newman
 - Partnerships with businesses makes a difference in how we respond – the more familiar we are with a building the better the response to an emergency.
 - Reminder DFRS has three shifts, will need three consecutive days to get all shifts.
- Leslie Barnes-Keating
 - No updates, however wanted to say appreciate everyone, constant planning development, hope the public visits the LEPC website for information/understanding on who they should call, when they should call.
- Frank Mitchell
 - Introduced himself as a representative of the Media – The Media is an important outlet to get information out to the public – Emergency Alert System (EAS) can be used. Looking on how to improve communication to the EAS.
- Tyler Muntz
 - DPW happy to support and be a part
- Tony
 - Thank you.
- Dennis Dudley
 - September is Emergency Preparedness month, and our focus is on Senior Preparedness
 - Emergency Preparedness recently visited each county senior center, completed presentation on preparedness to include a virtual presentation.
 - Please visit the LEPC Website for information www.Frederickcountymd.gov for preparedness information.

Motion to adjourn by Jon Newman, second by Ron Kunz. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

NEXT MEETING: January 8, 2024, at 8:30am, Virtual Teams Meeting

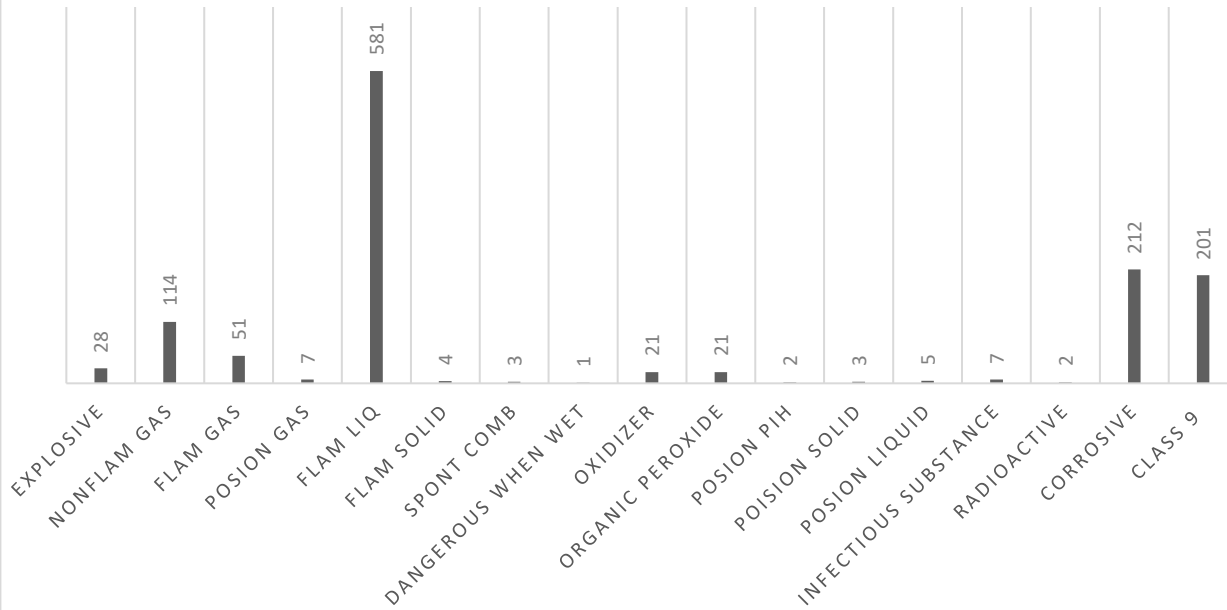
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Hazard Classes Inspected

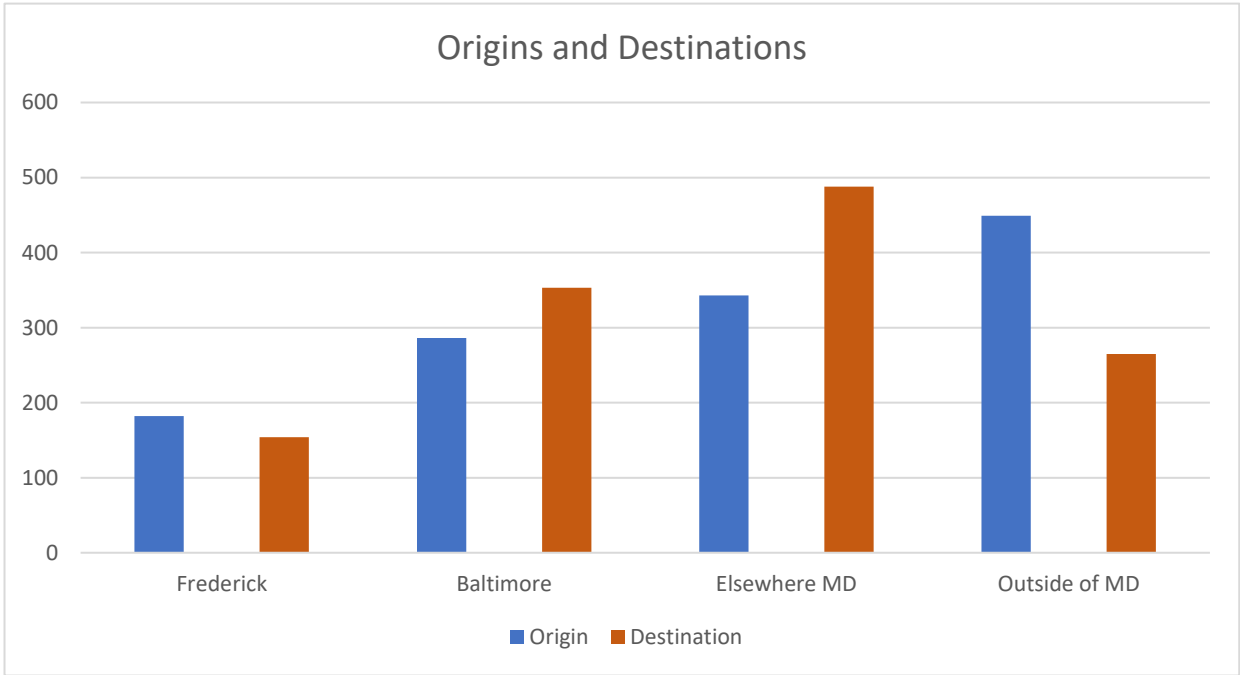


- Explosive
- NonFlam Gas
- Flam Gas
- Posion Gas
- Flam Liq
- Flam Solid
- Spont Comb
- Dangerous When Wet
- Oxidizer
- Organic Peroxide
- Posion PIH
- Poision Solid
- Posion Liquid
- Infectious Substance
- Radioactive
- Corrosive
- Class 9

HAZARD CLASSES INSPECTED



Origins	Number	Destinations	Number
Frederick	182	Frederick	154
Baltimore	286	Baltimore	353
Elsewhere MD	343	Elsewhere MD	488
Outside of MD	449	Outside MD	265



LEPC Tanker/Train Info

Brunswick Railyard

- 12 hour event
- Railcar leaking product from damaged valve
- No hazard to surrounding areas or people
- One pt, rail worker, treated on scene
- Period of sheltering in place at campground
- Atmospheric monitoring occurred throughout incident to protect surrounding areas
- Worked with Brunswick Town resources (BPD), FCSO, CSX and MDE
- Controlled without effect on members of the public or damage to the environment

Tanker Crash

- Fuel tanker crashed, Rt 15 north of Rosemont
- Had about 8500 gallons of product which exploded spraying flaming product onto one house and several cars
- Several houses had radiant heat damage
- Some fuel leaked into sewer system
- Was controlled on Rosemont Ave
- Minor product into area near Schifferstat Museum
- NO product into water way
- Tanker driver was fatality and only injury
- Numerous calls to 911 overloaded system and created multiple dispatches to multiple conflicting locations creating confusion with response
- All parts of incident controlled within one hour with little to no extension beyond initial areas involved
- Worked with numerous Frederick city resources (FPD, DPW), MDE and mutual aid companies (Washington, Carroll and Camp David)

Both incident highlight how the development of relationships and training with other government agencies and NGO's aid in mitigation of hazards.

LEPC presentation on Rad Surge TTX AAR

1. Held on April 20th 2023
 - a. Statewide – hybrid virtual and in-person
 - b. Sponsored by Maryland Hospital Association and Radiation Injury Treatment Network
 - c. A tabletop exercise is a discussion style exercise
2. Requirement of HHS Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response
 - a. Administers the Hospital (Healthcare) Preparedness Program (HPP)
 - i. MDH is state recipient and contracts with MHA to manage HPP activities
 1. 4 Health Care Coalitions statewide manage this at local level
 2. HCCs have four core members – hospitals, EMS, EM, PH
 - b. 5 surge planning requirements over project period 2020 to 2024
 - i. Involves development of annex and tabletop exercise for each
 - ii. Of interest to this audience is Chemical Surge activities for current year
 - c. We are Region I & II (Fred, Wash, All, Gar)
 - i. RI&II has 49 organizational members
3. The exercise
 - a. 13 RI&II organizations participated
 - i. FredCo had all 4 core members plus DFRS HazMat and Family Services reps
 1. Family Services is lead FredCo agency for sheltering and reunification centers that would have a role
 - ii. In person at Allegany County Health Department
 - b. Scenario
 - i. Train derailment causing a radiological release over a major metropolitan area resulting in patient surges at healthcare facilities across the state
 - ii. 3 exercise modules
 1. Initial Incident
 2. Patient Surge
 3. Patient Treatment
 - c. After Action themes
 - i. Strengths
 1. Good working relationships and operational coordination exists
 2. Good resources for first responders; hazmat, SME mutual aid
 3. Good understanding of surge mechanism to make hospital beds available
 4. Systems for information sharing among the health care system are in place
 - ii. Areas for improvement
 1. Better identification of, and training on, radiation specific supplies that are available
 2. Engage with various public information officers on radiation incident messaging
 3. Robust staff training on first receiver activities; decon, monitoring, triage, accessing support, treatment of radiation injuries
 4. Further development of Community Reception Center ops