

FREDERICK COUNTY
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
Meeting Minutes

DATE: July 10, 2023

TIME: 8:30am

LOCATION: Virtual Teams Meeting

ATTENDEES: Leslie Barnes-Keating (FCG County Executive Office); Jenifer Beach (FCG DEM); Christopher Burt (Red Cross); Mary Chizmar (Ft. Detrick); Shawn Dennison (FCHD HCC&P); Dennis Dudley (FCG DEP); Lisa Dunaway (DHS); David Foehner (CSX); Tracie Hanson (DHS); Nathan Hupp (CoF/ IT); Todd Johnson (FCHD HCC&P); Erin Lawson (FCG DEM); Vivian Laxton (FCG Communications); Lloyd Lumpp (Dairy Maid Dairy); Tyler Muntz (FCG DPW); John Peterson (FCG County Executive Office); Garth Phoebus (USAMRIID); Vaughn Ripley (FC MML); Megan Roderick (MHA); Becky Rogers (FCG DEP); Robin Shusko (FCC); Ashton Soanes (Raven Rock- Site R); Jennifer Stahley (FCG DEC); Zach Zaykowski (MDE HMT); 304-813-3391 (attendee name unknown)

CALL TO ORDER:

- Meeting called to order by Dennis Dudley @ 8:33AM

MEETING MINUTES

- A motion was made to approve the April 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes by Todd Johnson and seconded by Lloyd Lumpp, the motion was approved by all

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- *External Standing Committee*
 - AstraZeneca Drill planning (*Dennis Dudley*)
 - Planned for Sept 10th
 - Fire Rescue and HAZMAT will be there
 - Radiation Surge Exercise AAR (*Todd Johnson*)
 - AAR has been filed
 - Wanted to note that Frederick County had all core reps (FCHD/ EMS/ Division Emergency Management/ Hospital) plus HAZMAT and Family Assistance Planner were also present
 - Upgrades and improvements at Dairy Maid (*Lloyd Lump*)
 - 12,300 lbs ammonia on-site requires filing w/ EPA
 - Several inspections/ audits completed since 2019 and have current budget of \$879,000 for capital plans
 - Replaced rooftop condenser which helps reduce noise to neighbors
 - Every 5yrs must replace relief valve and those were replaced this year; 14 isolation valves also replaced this year
 - Piping replacement, painting, insulation replacement as result of inspection

- \$350,000 budget next year to work thru the audits- the high-ranking issues must be completed before next audit
- September 2023 Meeting to include the following items:
 - MDE Truck Stop report presented by Zach Zaykowski
 - Brunswick and Tanker incident brief by DFRS
 - AAR Radiation Surge Region I and II Health Care Coalition
- *Internal Standing Committee*
 - LEPC meetings are public under the Open Meetings Act
 - Meeting dates, agendas, and minutes for meetings are posted on Frederick County website for reference
 - AstraZeneca Drill:
 - Press release for drill to be released Tuesday after Labor Day to advise public of drill happening to avoid any concerns from public
 - Will have sign boards advising public that drill is occurring
 - Will have Video Services available for drill
 - Press Release in September to advertise Preparedness Month and events
 - Public has made requests that they want info provided on who IS safe, as opposed to just providing info on who is NOT safe
 - *EX: Providing message on who would need to evacuate an area after an incident AND who is safe during/after an incident and would not need to*

OLD BUSINESS:

- Updated Membership information needed- currently working on updating the full list to be current
 - Please provide updates (including org and names) to:
sriddell1@frederickcountymd.gov
- Constitution and bylaws update
 - None reported
- September 2023 Meeting for Preparedness Month:
 - Date TBD after coordinating with Winchester Hall & Zach Zaykowski (MDE presentation)

NEW BUSINESS:

- **NRC Notifications**
 - **Incident Report # 1365901 04/28/2023:**
 - Caller is reporting a spill of materials from a tanker truck due to a multiple vehicle accident; Caller stated 300 gallons of diesel fuel was spilled from the cargo
 - Location: 14500 Liberty Road (Frederick Co.) Mt Airy, MD 21771
 - **Incident Report # 1369059 06/03/2023:**
 - Caller states unknow chemicals are being dumped into Tuscarora Creek/Potomac River; Caller believes the creek affects their drinking water
 - Caller states there are signs and posting on the next-door app
 - Location: Tuscarora Creek/Potomac River Frederick, MD
 - **Incident Report # 1369247 06/06/2023**
 - Caller discovered an unknown sheen from an unknown source in Tuscarora Creek; Caller states the SRP has posted signs not to touch the surrounding water but does not have a reason why, and then the sheen arrived; Caller is concerned because they are on well water

- Location: 5601 Manor Woods Rd (Frederick Co.) Frederick, MD 21710-Quantum Loophole
- Incident was in the paper; was found there wasn't unsafe water quality due to this spill

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION:

- FCG COMMUNICATIONS (*Vivian Laxton*):
 - Chloe Scott will start serving for public affairs side
- MARYLAND HOSPITAL ASSOCIATIONS- MHA (*Megan Roderick*):
 - Working on training/exercising for this calendar year and will be coordinating for tabletops
 - Radiation surge exercise required- this year will be chemical surge incident
- FCG CITIZEN SERVICES (*Leslie Barnes-Keating, Deputy CAO*):
 - Going forward, shelter officer will also attend meetings
 - Kelli Goetz will start attending meetings for Citizen Services
- AMERICAN RED CROSS (*Christopher Burt*):
 - Doing inventory on trailer in Frederick County and will follow-up with Dennis
- HEALTH DEPT (*Shawn Dennison/ Todd Johnson*):
 - COVID AAR interviews are mostly done w/ contracting team from CHHS and next step is community wide survey being sent out this week (in multi languages)- wants everyone to share and respond
 - Training/ exercise plan for this year is done- more information will be coming out regarding the plan
- USAMRIID (*Garth Phoebus*):
 - Interface between Frederick County and USAMRIID during hotwash found no issues and teams worked together well
- CITY OF FREDERICK/ IT (*Nathan Hupp*):
 - Conducting final workshops for THIRA and SPR this week
 - City will work on formal emergency operations plan update this fall- will reach out to LEPC and other orgs to share planning process
- EPA (*Laura Casillas/ 410-430-8660*):
 - Oil booming tech & techniques training is planned for last week of October

Meeting adjourned at 8:59AM

NEXT MEETING: September 2023 (Day and Time *TBD*)(needs coordination with *Winchester Hall & Zach Zaykowski* who will be presenting)

Please send any items and topics for the agenda to: sriddell1@frederickcountymd.gov