

Frederick County LEPC Meeting Minutes June 8, 2009

The regular meeting of the Frederick County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) was held at the Frederick County Health Department, Montevue Lane, Frederick, at 0835 hours. Acting Chair Dennis Dudley called the meeting to order.

The following were present at the meeting: Denise Wyant, Greg Gautney, Richard Himes, Judy Peterson, Dennis Dudley, Doug Orner, Chip Jewell, Jack Markey, Barry Stanton, Garth Phoebus, Al Hudak, Robin Santangelo, Steve Cooper, Seamus Mooney, Stephanie Schepp, Bryan Malseed, and Barbara Brookmyer.

Old Business

- Dennis asked for a review of the previous month's meeting minutes. With two corrections noted, Dr. Brookmyer made a motion to accept May's meeting minutes. Chip seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- A copy of the Membership letter (from 2007) was circulated among those present. Notations were made in that letter. Others not present who wish to have their name/organization added need to the letter.
- LEPC leadership: Barry made a motion instructing Jack to contact Dennis Wenner to find out his intentions with respect to the LEPC leadership. Judy seconded the motion. The motion passed.
 - The Transition Team will address, through the LEPC's Constitution and By-laws about including a possible provision to address if someone leave's the LEPC or the organization which he/she is representing.
 - Dennis would like to see the Mayor of the City of Frederick listed on the letter to the SERC.
- Volunteer Update – nothing to report.

New Business

- 2009 LEPC Drill – Emergency Management will take over the planning for the drill. Seamus will take the lead for DEP. A kick-off meeting has been scheduled for June 15th. This year the drill will be a facilitated discussion and not a functional exercise. Seamus is still looking at a September/ October time frame.
 - Dennis noted that there is an active shooter drill scheduled at State Farm for October 23rd.
 - Al is in favor of a facilitated discussion – need to acquaint key staff and upper management.
 - Jack stated that it would be good to keep the discussion from getting too deep into the regulatory aspect.
- Public Outreach – Seamus stated that they have shifted from looking at Safely Out; they found that it is expensive so they are looking at other solutions.

- Jack mentioned the EPA Region III Conference is in Baltimore this year. It will be held November 15th through the 18th. The website for additional information is www.2009conference.org.
- Jack mentioned that Charlie Fitzsimmons has offered to speak to our LEPC. Denise will coordinate with Jack/ Kim to set that up.
- Robin noted that FCG will be on Twitter and Facebook by the end of the week.
- Jack – noted that the Tier II levels required by the state have been increased. Now certain facilities won't meet the threshold level and have to report the hazardous materials that they have on site. Jack suggested that we have a discussion on that topic.
- Richard noted that he is going to schedule a rail car emergency class. It will probably be held in late September.

Planned Events

- July 4th – Upcoming
- June 27th – tentative Fort Detrick/ City of Frederick event at Baker Park. It is scheduled to run 6 – 9 P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 A.M. with a motion made by Judy Peterson and seconded by Dr. Brookmyer.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 13th at the Frederick County DFRS on Montevue Lane.