

**LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE
JANUARY 18, 2006**

Approved Minutes

Chairperson Myra Reimink called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Members in Attendance: Bosscher, Kenneth Dziesinski, John Edwards, Jim Hancock, Paul Hascher, Chief Dan Henderson, Don Hutchens, Sindee Maxwell, Randy Mergener, Chris Pfeiffer, Dianne Phillips, Chuck Pistis, Ken Porter, Myra Reimink, Chris Saddler, Bonnie Schuitema, Bill Smith, Amy Swords, Chief Rich Szczepanek, Beth Thomas, Paul Ziegler

Members Excused: Eric Klingensmith, Anne McManus, Lis McNeil, Earl Mokma, Steve VanderHill, Cornelius VanderKam, Rep William VanRegenmorter, Dr Paul Heidel

Members Unexcused: Michael Averill, John Crozier, Lee Hoeksema, George Keefe, Susan Paauwe, Jeff VanderWerff, Rick Velderman

New Members Introduced: None

Guests Present: Gerry Dawson, Adam London, Ken Walits

Handouts: Community Right to Know, Meeting dates for 2006, MEP and Community Right to Know Commission Minutes

September 21, 2005 Minutes: Motion was made by Chief Rich Szczepanek, seconded by Randy Mergener to approve the September 21 , 2005 meeting minutes. Motion passed, Minutes were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Subcommittee: (Myra Reimink)

- The Executive Subcommittee will meet at 9:30 on May 17, 2006 before the regular LEPC meeting.

Planning Subcommittee: Due to Jim Hancock retiring, a new chairperson for this committee is needed

Public Relations & Promotions Subcommittee: (Randy Mergener)

- Randy has been working on the Power Point Presentation
- The Annual LEPC Conference is set for March 15, 2006 at the Fillmore Complex, it will be at training in CBRNE and will possibly provide contact hours for nursing and EMS. Dianne Phillips showed the brochure which will be mailed out to doctor offices. The hospitals will distribute it internally through their internal systems.

Outreach Subcommittee: (Sue Paauwe)

- No Report

Training & Exercise Subcommittee: (Paul Hascher)

- No Report

OLD BUSINESS

- Beth Thomas reported that the 2004 HSG grant balances and will have a meeting in the next two weeks with the Local Planning Team to start the 2005 Grant. The 2006 Homeland Security grant will be more competitive.
- Chris Saddler reported that the certifications for the IS700 NIMS and IS 800 NRP trainings are continuing to come in with 106 people having taken at least one of the trainings.
- The sheet for updating of LEPC member information was passed around again.
- Electronic Tier Reporting. Bill is working on getting more information and will discuss this with the Sheriff.

NEW BUSINESS

- Dianne Phillips stated that the Tier II reports from industry are due on March 1, 2006.
- Myra reported that with the Joint commission instituting new requirements for training that a Hospital Exercise planning committee has met to look at exercise needs for the three hospitals. Anyone is welcome to be a member of the subcommittee to help develop this.

HAZMAT/TECH RESCUE TEAM UPDATE

- 12-12-05 three members responded to the Nunica Bar where some males in the bathroom lit a substance in an ashtray resulting in white smoke with an odd smell. Sample bags of the powder were collected and given to the Sheriff's department.
- 12-21-05 there was a tanker spill on M-104 in Spring Lake when a car made a u-turn in front

of a tanker carrying gasoline and diesel, causing it to swerve and roll onto its side. Crockery Fire and HAZMAT responded. It is estimated that 2,500 of the 8,000 gallons of fuel were spilled. The mobile command unit was utilized with great results. Some homes were evacuated. There were no injuries.

- The HAZMAT team would like to move all three of their trucks into one garage.

NEXT MEETING

The LEPC conference on March 15, 2006 will take the place of our regular March meeting.

TRAINING

Randy Mergener showed the LEPC PowerPoint presentation that anyone from the LEPC is welcome to use for talks to the media, schools or other groups. This is a well done presentation that gives a good overview of what the LEPC is and does.