



LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE OF LANCASTER COUNTY

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LEPC MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 16, 2023

The February 16, 2023 meeting of the LEPC was held in Room 103 at the Lancaster Public Safety Training Center. The meeting was called to order at 1302 by Chairperson Duane Hagelgans. The following were in attendance in-person or via Teams as noted:

Members

Brian Pasquale, LEMA Director – Virtual
Zachary Gibbons, LEMA HazMat Admin (LEPC Manager) – in-person
Jon Beuerle, HazMat 2 EFRC (Group 2) – via Teams
Duane Ober, WESC (LEPC Vice Chairperson) (Group 3) – in person
John Kottmyer, Chief Fire Official-East Hempfield Twp. (Group 3) – in person
Ben Herskowitz, LEMA Deputy Director (Group 4A) – in person
Violet DeStefano, LEMA Health & Medical Coordinator (Group 4A) – Virtual
Brooke Bowman, LEMA Community Resilience Coordinator (Group 4A) – Virtual
Ann Weller, LCWC Operations Manager (Group 4B) - Virtual
Todd Kirkpatrick, LCPSTC Director (Group 4C) – in person
Ken Weber, LCPSTC Fire Service Training Coordinator (Group 4C) – in person
Duane Hagelgans, PIO SCTF (LEPC Chairperson) (Group 5) – Virtual
Mike Lyons, Dart Container Safety Director (Group 7) – in person
Larry Lucarino, Senior Industrial Safety Advisor Peach Bottom Power Station (Group 7) – Virtual
Jay Barninger, Safety Manager, Turkey Hill Dairy (Group 7) – Virtual

Guests

Walt Bair, PA DEP – in person
Jason Skonberg, Eden Twp EMA – in person
Kyle Wylezik, PA DEP – in person
Eric Bachman, MTRF – in person
Allen Fowler, UGI Utilities – in person
Robert Moore, PEMA – Virtual
MaryCait Dorley, LEMA Intern - Virtual

NOTE: A quorum was met and the minimum number of groups represented was met to vote of LEPC business. The meeting continued as follows:

-In accordance with Sunshine Law provisions, the meeting agenda was posted on the Emergency Management website on Thursday September 22, 2022 and a hard copy was posted in the main training center hallway on Thursday September 22, 2022.

*** SARA * SUPERFUND AMENDMENT AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1986***

The meeting proceeded as follows:

1.Previous Meeting Minutes – The meeting packet included the December 1, 2022 LEPC Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Violet DeStefano and seconded by Ben Herskowitz to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed.

1. Chemical Reporting and Planning Status – Zach Gibbons provided a Chemical Reporting and Planning update. The report included the following:

1. **SARA Title III Planning Updates** – Appendix A held the plan updates for the SARA Facilities in their 2022 reporting submissions.
2. **New Planning Facility(ies)** – Applegreen Bowmansville in the PA Turnpike Plaza is reporting 15,000 lbs of Propane.
3. **Facility Plan Reactivation** – No changes since December meeting
4. **Facility Deletions** – No changes since December Meeting
5. **Boarder County Updates** – No changes since December Meeting
6. **SARA Facility Status (Current)**
 - a. **Total Active Facilities 182**
 - b. **Total Plans Approved (LEPC) 180***
 - c. **Total Plans Approved (SERC) 180**
 - d. **Border County Plans 12**
 - e. **Border County Plans Approved 12**
 - f. **Total Off-Site Planning Sites 192**
7. **TIER II – 2022 As of 02-08-2023**
 - Non Exempt- Facilities Reporting 330**
 - Chemicals Assessed 75**
 - Total Fees Assessed \$14,600.00**
 - Total Fees Collected \$875.00**

** The note was made Primitives by Kathy has not reported since 2020 and consequently has not paid either. Updates will given at the December meeting regarding their status.**

8. **Special Hazard Off-site Consequence (SHOC) Plans** – Zach advised that there were no changes or updates regarding the SHOC Plans. Below are the SHOC Statistics.
 - a. **New SHOC Plans- None**
 - b. **SHOC Plan Updates- None**
 - c. **SHOC Plan Status-**
 - i. **LPG Identified Facilities: 46**
 - ii. **LFG SHOC Plans LEPC Approved: 9**

No motion needed due to the lack of major changes to the facilities and their plans.

2. Environmental Inquiries and Notices - Zach Gibbons reported on Open Records Requests from Environmental Consultants seeking hazardous chemical storage and incidents history of properties as part of phased studies for property

acquisition. The meeting packet included a list of 19 requests processed since the December LEPC meeting. No records yielded results.

The Downstream Water Use Notifications received from facilities that met the notification criteria under the PA Storage Tank and Spill Prevention Act of 1989 since the last meeting were attached in Appendix B for review.

3. Haz Mat Incidents –

Haz Mat 2 Responses -The meeting packet included a list of 20 events that the Haz Mat Team responded to since the December meeting. This included 4 UAS calls, 13 Duty Officer calls, and 3 team calls. Ben Herskowitz discussed the need for compliance issues with companies as well as needing guidance supported by the County's solicitor's office. Duane Hagelgans added information regarding a heating oil leak that took place at Manheim Township High School. DEP stated that they were aware of the issue, and it has been mitigated.

Extremely Hazardous Substance Releases – No EHS releases occurred since the December Meeting.

4. Haz Mat Readiness –

Haz Mat 2 Operational Update - Ben Herskowitz reported on the introduction of the HazMat Guys Lithium-Ion Battery Class. The HazMat Team is receiving training on the new equipment they received in the near future. Lastly, the HazMat Team has been receiving a lot of media inquiries regarding questions about the train derailment in East Palestine, OH. The team has been releasing informational videos as inquiries come in.

Ben discussed that there are currently 6 bills open for HazMat totaling \$11,830.57. Of these bills, 2 were undeliverable and the other 4 are pending. The 4 pending invoices total \$8,243.87. The recommendation was made that a presentation be created for the South Central Task Force HazMat subcommittee to discuss fee collection and reimbursement.

Haz Mat Operations Deployment Plan – The project came in front of the committee for final review. Duane Ober expressed some changes made to the flowchart at the back of the document. The motion was made to accept the document pending the changes to the flowchart. The motion was made by Ken Weber and seconded by John Kottmyer. Zach Gibbons, Ben Herskowitz, Jon Beuerle, Violet DeStefano all abstained from voting.

5. Training –

LCPSTC Training- The meeting packet included the 2023 Haz Mat training spreadsheet with completed classes and roster (totals) as well as programs schedule for the remaining of the year. Todd and Ken reported that the training class list is constantly being updated with new deliveries.

6.Old Business –

2023 HazMat Classes- Ben Herskowitz discussed earlier in the meeting the need for the Lithium Ion Battery Class. Made a motion to approve the funds for the class "Not to exceed \$10,000 for 2 8 hour classes over 2 days accommodating 60 students and lunch." The motion was seconded by Duane Ober.

7.New Business –

New Committee Member Voting – 2 individuals who have been attending LEPC meetings for some time were recommended to the committee for membership, Eric Bachman and Allen Fowler. The motion was made by Ben Herskowitz and seconded by Brian Pasquale for both individuals be added to the LEPC.

Expenses Approval- Covered under old business

SCTF Homeland Security Conference- April 4-6, 2023 – LEPC presentations will be taking place. Anyone who is interested in attending should consider registration.

PEMA In Service Training- Zach Gibbons and Rob Moore gave a discussion regarding the presentation given at PEMA's IST that discussed the need for Tier II facility reporting enforcement. The determination was made that there needs to be more action taken in the county and that there will be further discussion to be reported on at a later date.

Rob Moore discussed further the need to report Act 165 violations.

Duane Hagelgans discussed the upcoming Region 3 Response Team (USCG & EPA) Conference taking place at Millersville University May 9-11, 2023. There will be more information to follow.

8. Public Comment – Chairperson Hagelgans called for public comment. There was none.

9. Next Meeting – The Next LEPC Meeting will be April 13, 2023 at 1pm at the training center.

10. Adjournment – A motion was made by Ben Herskowitz and seconded by Violet DeStefano to adjourn. The motion was unanimously passed and the meeting adjourned at 1505 hours.

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