

WAUPACA COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
 MEETING MINUTES

DATE: March 16, 2017

TIME & PLACE: 7:00 a.m., Waupaca County Courthouse, Rm. LL41

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Esch called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m.

OPEN MEETING STATEMENT: Chair Esch gave the open meeting statement.

OPEN SESSION: This meeting and all other meetings of this committee are open to the public. Proper notice has been posted and given to the press in accordance with Wis. Statutes so that the citizenry may be aware of the time, place and agenda of this meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Member	Present	Member	Present	Alternate/ Invited Guest	Present
Allen Kraeger	<input type="checkbox"/>	Eric Rasmussen	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brian Yogerst	<input type="checkbox"/>
Andrew Carlin	<input type="checkbox"/>	Greg Blonde	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jeff Treu	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Barry Tomaras	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jed Wohlt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jim Hoffman	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bob Cloud	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kyle Behm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Andrew Sellin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Brian VanDenLangenberg	<input type="checkbox"/>	Michael Mazemke	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Bryant Esch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michael Whitman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Casey Beyersdorf	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nick Cluppert	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Dan Nehring	<input type="checkbox"/>	Paul Hanlon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Del Volpel	<input type="checkbox"/>	Steve Fenske	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Diane Meulemans	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ted Dremel	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Dick Koeppen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Terry Harrington	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Don Kimlicka	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Valerie Heise	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Eric Halverson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

By-Laws: A quorum of the Waupaca LEPC Committee will consist of seven or more regular members, all of whom have been appointed and approved by the Waupaca County Board of Supervisors and Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM).

REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA: Motion by Hanlon, seconded by Whitman to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Motion by Koeppen, seconded by Whitman to approve the minutes of December 8, 2016. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chair Esch opened the meeting for public comment. There was none.

OPEN SESSION:

Introductions. Andrew Sellin—Environmental Manager at Waupaca Foundry present as a guest.

1. Review presentations from the Governor’s Conference on Emergency Management

Halverson, Carlin, Harrington, Fenske, Wohlt, VanDenLangenberg and Mary Ellie, Public Health Nurse attended the 50th Annual Governor’s Conference in Wisconsin Dells last week. Halverson shared what he learned from

motivational speaker Chris Heeter and will send out contact information. Michelle Kuzera spoke on Flint, Michigan water contamination crisis. Fenske felt conference is one of the best in the 10 years he's been involved. Harrington mentioned breakouts she attended on 2016 floods, social media and drones. Fenske gave explanation of the State's Air Coordination Group for the drones and there are rules and regulations. Another session Halverson attended talked about gaps in the business community if we lose power for more than three days – gas stations, grocery stores, banks. Fenske stated in 2018 there will be a long-term power outage exercise lasting 21 days in five counties Dane, Brown, Outagamie, Winnebago and Calumet. Halverson stated e-Sponder will be replaced with WebEOC which is very user friendly and many states use it. Fenske added that 45 or 46 of the states use WebEOC. Regional training in EOC on May 23rd and Brown County in May. Halverson will get that information out. Harrington mentioned active shooter response panel discussion on making "purple" out of blue (law enforcement) and red (fire, EMS) to come together in non-traditional ways. Governor Walker attended 7 out of 8 terms.

2. Review off-site plans as available

Halverson had two new sites in Tier II reporting and explained the hazards - Charter Cable and Creative Converting in Clintonville. System he uses is WHOPRS. EPCRA guidance has been re-written. It is up to County LEPC to determine what we need in our plans. It is not a response plan for facilities but a plan to keep the community safe once the hazardous material leaves the site. Esch mentioned there are still sites that don't know about Tier II reporting. Safety data sheets are available through WHOPRS which facilities can access. Halverson has put packets together for new facilities applying for permits and what is required to report. EM is not tasked with policing. Halverson will make a list of known sites and share. If committee members see new facilities that look like they may have hazardous materials, let EM know.

3. Review ESF updates

Halverson stated he took the large Emergency Response Plan document and put it into separate files for each ESF so it's easier to work with. Names have been pulled out and put in front of the ERP or added as an attachment. Halverson can now easily send electronically.

4. Committee Reports

Waupaca County Hazmat Team Report - Fenske

January: held annual elections of team officer's

- Director – Steve Fenske
- Deputy Director – Erich Hints
- Safety Officer – Leighton Truce
- Equipment Officer – Rick Stoflet Jr
- Training Officer – Bob Herubin (previously held by Scott Obremski)
- Decon Officer/Secretary – Lentry Vance (previously held by Bob Herubin)
- Officer's Meeting on 3/20

Recruitment of new Team members

- Ken Collins (unofficially)
- 4 others interested/team applications sent

2017 Budget & Equipment

- Drager SCBA (all 10 packs updated)
- RAE MultiRAE Lite 5 gas meter (replacing 10+ yr old MSA)
 - Standardize with Appleton/Oshkosh Teams, CN RR, 54th CST

Foam Cache

- 200 gallons (5 gallon pails) AR-AFFF Foam
- WEM supplied
- Appleton/Oshkosh/Green Bay/Waupaca split 1600 gallon cache

- 5/30 gallon containers
- For crude oil on rail incidents

January 21 (Saturday) Work Day

- Various repairs to equipment/vehicles-trailer
- Replaced gasoline in all power equipment with TruFuel
- Pressure tested all Level A suits (required annually)
- Moved 4 gas meters & meter calibration unit to command vehicle

Feb 13: Tabletop exercise with Fremont FD.

- Scenario was traffic accident on Hwy 96 bridge.
- Semi truck fuel tank ruptured, diesel fuel entered storm drains empties into Wolf River
- Work with Fremont FD to identify access points to river to deploy containment boom
- Functional exercise next fall
- Possible boom training with HM Team & Fremont FD

February 16-17 2017 WAHMR Conference.

- 3 team members attended
- Leighton Trice & Lentry Vance
- Myself, also serve on WAHMR Board as a Type 3 Rep
- Classes attended: Ammonia Refrigeration Systems, Frontline Safety for Responders, Chemical Command, FBI WMD/Hazmat update, Street Smart HazMat, Highway Tankers 101

March training meeting had EPCRA Off-site facility tour at Agropur in Weyauwega

- Agropur wants to do training with team in future.
- Working with County EM office

April 22 is team's annual hazmat refresher

- Required under NFPA 472
- Nicolet Technical college providing the training
- Grant written through WEM HMEP grant
- Scenario: response to off-site facility (Agropur)
- Bassett Mechanical attending

HazMat Refresher for FD in 2017

- Clintonville, Iola & Manawa FD
- FD should do refresher every 1-3 years
- FD that have WCHMT return annually, we do customized training based on their risks
- FD that haven't had refresher over 3 yrs gets 3-4 hour class

Responses:

2 calls

Dale FD – diesel fuel clean-up on road

Outagamie Co – semi vs bus accident

- pump out diesel fuel saddle tank on semi truck

EM – Halverson handed out flyer on storm spotter training which is open to the public. Discussion on who usually attends.

Agropur – Behm reported business is normal. Conducting some mock trainings on an ammonia leak for maintenance staff. No plans for expansion in the next year.

Public Health – Harrington reported on Immunization Program Functional Exercise at New London Elementary School this fall to vaccinate up to 1,240 students against influenza. Hospitals experiencing bed shortages due to ILI (influenza-like illness) and sending daily WiTRAC alerts. Long-term care facilities reporting ILI and GI (gastrointestinal) illnesses.

New London – Hanlon was informed over the past week by American Transmission Company (ATC) the site in New London has been classified as a security risk and they are going to be upgrading the security at the facility. Part of the security will be 24' concrete walls around the entire area. They are expecting to spend about 1 million dollars on this upgrade. St. Joseph's Residence is going to be adding a 12,000 sq. ft. addition to its existing facility and doing remodeling on a larger portion of the nursing home. Commonwealth Development has started a 40 unit housing development consisting of 2 and 3 bedroom apartments. These are subsidized apartments. Occupancy will be sometime this fall. Premier Partridge Drive Apartments completed 3 – 12 unit market rate apartment buildings on the North side of the City in the area of Walmart. Because of their success, they are going to do 3 more buildings this year. Curwood Inc, is going to add some manufacturing space to their existing facility on High Street. The City of New London has contracted with Martensen & Eisele to work with the Planning Commission on creating zoning for Tiny Houses.

Courthouse – Koeppen keeping busy during off season which is once the budget is passed. Board made tough decision to close Lakeview Manor. As of last weekend all 28 residents have been relocated. Challenge was keeping staff until closed and bonus was offered. Closed session meetings on possible suitors for the building. Discussion on who should replace Mary Robbins – Mandy Welch as Administrative Coordinator or Jill Lodewegen as County Clerk. Halverson explained both positions would bring value. LEPC Committee does not have a limit to number of members. Going to be a study of 27 year old courthouse to address office space issues. Recently turned down a proposed courthouse safety plan because all were not in agreement with the details of the plan. He appreciates working with a great group of professionals at the County.

EMS – Kimlicka officially appointed in January to State EMS Advisory Board. State adopts 98% of what comes from this advisory board. Anyone with ideas or concepts for EMS feel free to run by him and he will take to board. Clintonville starting to take down trees for Hwy 22 construction leaving many residents unhappy. Overwhelmed by calls due to transporting high volume of ILI patients this year. EMS can administer flu vaccine and will look at vaccinating their own employees in the future. Doing a series of drills with MABAS. Conducting a bus crash drill with Shawano County September 18th and will share the information. Primary building for ambulance was built in 1948 and was an old car dealership. Doesn't meet current standards for a public building so looking to add on. Due to building being owned by many municipalities it presents financial challenges.

ThedaCare – Heise reported EP committee at hospital completed 2017 HVA (hazard vulnerability assessment). Top hazards are weather related events, active shooter/bomb threat, sewer failure/backup, mass casualty incident, and information systems failure. TTX with clinic and hospital staff to discuss care of green or minor patients during a mass casualty event scheduled for March 28th. Grant funds through HCC (Health Care Coalition). April 26th is the second annual Community Partners Breakfast from 7:30-9:00 a.m. If members didn't get an invite and would like to go contact Heise. It's a great networking opportunity. Heise will be attending Joint Commission Conference in New Orleans on April 19-20. Whole session will be devoted to EP in hospitals. Region 6 FVAHCC (Fox Valley Area Health Care Coalition) shared that all of chemical PAPRS are now outdated. Region had carry-over money and is looking at replacing 3-4 per facility. Each facility has 6. These are PAPRS that are used in hazmat contamination scenarios. Beds within whole region extremely tight due to ILI with little or no beds available. Daily WiTRAC counts being done. End of year 2016 were changes in leadership roles at hospital. CEO Craig Kontos and Chief Nursing Officer Betty Jo Balzar both now oversee Wild Rose in addition to Waupaca. Adding a security guard at Waupaca from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. seven days a week. Interviewing now. No day security at this time.

ARC – Treu reported they are a 95% volunteer group with a few staff. Nick Cluppert is our regional manager. If you want ARC involved in exercises contact Nick so he or a volunteer can attend. Smoke alarm installation campaigns going on. One in Clintonville last weekend with about 75 installations which may be 2 or 3 in a home. Residents can go to ARC website and ask for installation. Smoke alarms are donated and ARC volunteers install. Been responding to fires and assisting victims with lodging, clothing, shoes, eye glasses, prescriptions, etc. Whatever is needed ARC tries to provide. If there is a need to help process the trauma there are nurses and mental health volunteers available. Try to help fire departments if canteening is requested – provide food and beverages. National emergencies use local people first then go to outer rings. Pillow case project is ongoing. Attend senior health fairs and Mission of Hope to provide information on a variety of disasters like tornado, flood,

and fires. Smoke alarms are not carbon monoxide detectors. Not able to address hard-wired smoke alarms. Should replace smoke alarms every 10 years. Hanlon asked about getting a combination unit. Treu stated the emphasis is on fires now but he will take the suggestion back to ARC. Hanlon added cracked heat exchangers in furnaces are a danger.

Public Works – Whitman sees agriculture hitting natural gas pipelines as major threat. Most of systems have redundancy. Usually on the gas side there's time to respond to shut off commercial and retain residences. Have resilient pressure that needs to be monitored. Lot of assets available in Wisconsin. He was in Weyauwega last week to talk about safety. Small utility contractors have a permit but operations when coming in to do repairs may not be monitored. Supervisor has been talking safety to schools. He would like to see TTX or discussion on basics. If there were a gas leak at schools or hospitals, do local fire departments know where gas meters are? Available to sit down with hospitals and schools to walk through what they would do in the kitchen if they broke a gas line. What is the plan? Who shuts off the meter? Who calls 911? Do they evacuate? Simple awareness exercise. Behm commented another good discussion to have is on protecting gas meters. Esch offered it is worth having a brainstorming session on. Whitman said there is a need to identify what the key assets are to restore in what order. Fenske said 2018 exercise outcome is to get communities thinking and what are key facilities that need to be restored. Heise asked if there is a priority list of who gets restored first. Whitman explained there currently is not and with natural gas they have to come back up by grids. It would be helpful to have that list. EOC can make decision locally. Halverson stated business side of things is critical to get back up. Next LEPC meeting could focus on having this discussion. Whitman offered local supervisor is available to businesses to sit down and have that discussion.

Waupaca Foundry – Esch reported Foundry has an onsite ERT, 35 people and 3 environmental engineers in Waupaca. Changes in management team. Still seeing automotive is strong. Agriculture is weak and down 30-50%. Completed ISO 50001 energy management system. Big in Europe and very few companies in US get certified. First metal caster in US to do this. Previously there was a lot of local stakeholder interest but now spending a great deal of time answering questions from large companies all over that pertain to fuel used, greenhouse gas emission, environmental programs, ingredients, etc.

General discussion held on expansions and trouble finding workers in industries. Drug testing failures is an issue. Help wanted ads are posted in a lot of places. Unemployment is low so market is tight and there's an imbalance on skill sets. A lot of good jobs in trades category but tough to find people now. Construction firms having trouble too. EMS faces problems too with high costs associated to become an EMT or paramedic but pay is low.

5. Next meeting June 8, 2017

6. Adjournment

Motion by Treu, seconded by Fenske to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Terry Harrington

Secretary