

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE
May 7, 2007 MEETING MINUTES

Roll Call

- Ms. Carney, sitting in for the LEPC Information Coordinator, conducted roll call.
- Attendance: Brandy Carney; Jim Carrell; Bob Cermak (in for Marty Murphy*); Richard Connelly*; Pete Clapham*, Ronald B. Czerski; Alan Finkelstein*; Stuart Greenberg*; Randy Helmick*; Barbara Hermes*; Camilla Johnson; John Jurcisin*; Doug Kennedy; Chief Tom Klecan; Sheldon Lustig*; Herb Mausser*; Bob Patton*; Jane Pavlick*; Brenda Phifer; Captain Mark Scott*; Chief Bryan Sloan*; Randy Solganik*; Dane Tussel

* - LEPC member

Administrative

Mr. Patton called the meeting to order at 1:30pm. The minutes from March 5, 2007 meeting were approved by a motion made from Mary Jane Pavlick and seconded by Alan Finkelstein.

Financial Report

Ms. Johnson provided the Financial report, current as of April 2007. Mr. Patton stated that the money (\$30,000) for the Population Protection project could not be set aside yet because it had not been approved by the entire board. Chief Sloan motioned to amend, receive and file the Financial Report; motion seconded by Stu Greenberg and approved.

Public Information Requests

Ms. Carney noted 11 public information requests since last meeting.

Management Subcommittee

Mr. Patton noted two corrections that needed to be made to a previous resolution. The corrections included changing \$33,000 to \$30,000, and changing the resolution number. A motion for ratification of the resolution that was made by the Management Committee was made, and all were in favor.

Mr. Connelly stated that maybe a new committee could get together and start soliciting funds from industry for the RFP. He further stated that the LEPC is looking also to the county for financial support.

Mr. Patton reported that Bob Gahr and Sheldon Lustig have both agreed to co-chair the new Transportation Committee.

Mr. Patton asked where we are with the by-laws and with the Dan Meany/GIS contract. No one was able to give him a response.

Facility Security and Accident Prevention Subcommittee

Mr. Mausser reported that the Committee met on April 20th. He stated that there were new chemical facility antiterrorism standards that were put out by DHS. These standards will go into effect in June 2007. He went on to say that the Committee would like to help the local companies to understand these new laws. He targeted the end of October 2007 as a hopeful time for the Committee to hold its next seminar.

Mr. Connelly suggested that a letter be sent out to the local facilities advising them on the new rule system and its effective date. He also stated that in the letter it would be a good time to tell them about the seminar.

A question was asked on who would pay for the BNA account, and also what the difference was between the Chemical Regulation Reporter and the Chemical Regulation Daily.

Spills Subcommittee

Mr. Connelly reported that the Committee sent letters out to all the noncompliant spills for 2006, and that all the letters were returned with follow up letters except for 2, whom said the spill did not leave their property and thus they were not required to report.

Emergency Preparedness and Response Subcommittee

Mr. Finkelstein noted that the date the exercise will be held is on June 14th. He stated that they will evaluate 5 objectives this year. One of those objectives is shelter management, and thus the Red Cross will also take part in the exercise. Mr. Finkelstein advised that he is also planning a Cameo class that will be taught by instructors from LSU. He said that further details will follow but the class will be held at NEORSD.

SARA Plan

Ms. Phifer reported that the first time filer form is due to the state by May 30th. It was suggested that Melissa and Jeff go to the state and talk to them about imposing a fee for filing hard copy reports. The suggestion was \$15.00 for hardcopy and \$0 for electronic submission. It was also noted that we should send out a letter towards the end of the year encouraging facilities to submit electronically. Mr. Connelly responded that we should send people down to the state office to argue our case for an imposed fee. Mr. Finkelstein stated that he would go.

Other Business

The committee asked Brandy to send out an email with the Threat and Risk Assessment Class flyer attached.

Mr. Finkelstein asked if the lepc website was still being updated, and he wanted to make sure that at least the correct meeting dates were on it.

Mr. Finkelstein made a motion to have an LEPC member on the CAT committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clapham. The resolution will have to go to the main, CCASAB, board.

Mr. Patton noted that Mr. Terry was recently appointed to judge and will no longer be an LEPC member. Mr. Murphy will currently take his place. Mr. Patton thanked Mr. Terry for all of his support. Mr. Connelly made a motion commending Mr. Terry for all of his support for the LEPC and for all of his hard work. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jurcsisn.

Next meeting set for July 2, 2007 at 1:30pm