



**Cuyahoga County
Local Emergency Planning Committee
January 8, 2018 Meeting Minutes**



- **Roll Call-** Chief Sloan conducted roll call and led the meeting.
 - **LEPC Members in Attendance:** Jim Armstrong, Wade Balser, Scott Broski, Alan Finkelstein, Tom Hartman, Roger Klein (Rick Whitehead), Bryan Kloss, Chief Chris Kostura, Capt. Greg Lightcap, Sheldon Lustig, Jim Maskil, John O'Donnell, Dennis O'Neil, Bob Patton, Brooke Potts, Darla Rivera, Chief Bryan Sloan, Randy Solganik, Allen Turner, Ingrid Wagner
 - **Guests:** Fred Romeo- Ohio Department of Natural Resources Oil & Gas, Nancy Veley- Cuyahoga County Public Safety & Justice Services, Chief Dave Freeman- Cleveland Heights Fire, Chief Chris Haddock- Euclid Fire

- **Elections**
 - Chief Sloan and Alan Finkelstein were each nominated for their current respective positions: Chairman and Vice Chairman. Committee voted unanimously to elect them as follows: Chief Sloan- Chairman, Alan Finkelstein- Vice Chair.

- **Minutes**
 - Changed “20 million” to “\$20 million” from previous minutes
 - The committee approved the minutes from the November 6, 2017 meeting

- **Financial Report** for the period ending December 31, 2017:
 - Payment to Nak's Eatery for providing food for Hazmat Type 1 exercise, total of \$1,175.00.
 - Received HMEP FY2016 reimbursement from Ohio EMA for OEM Staffing – \$715.47
 - Received transfer of SERC funds to OEM for staffing, total of \$74,467.03
 - Payment to Chagrin/SE COG for 2016 Hazmat Conference, total of \$6,840.16
 - Current balance - \$384,859.61

- **Resolutions Approved**
 - **Resolution #01062018-1:** Accept & File Financial Report Period ending December 31, 2017
 - **Resolution #01062018-2:** Payment for Local Match for Commodity Flow Study
 - Group discussion regarding what a commodity flow study is and how it will be conducted
 - **Resolution #01062018-3:** Payment for Local Match for Evacuation Annex
 - **Resolution #01062018-4:** CCOEM Transfer of Funds for Commodity Flow Study
 - **Resolution #01062018-5:** CCOEM Transfer of Funds for Evacuation Annex
 - **Resolution #01062018-6:** Approving Funding for Online Hazmat Technician Training
 - Group discussion regarding online training and what it includes
 - **Resolution #01062018-7:** Apply and Accept FY18 SERC Grant
 - **Resolution #01062018-8:** CCOEM Transfer of HMEP Funds for Staff
 - **Resolution #01062018-9:** Thank You- Barbara Hermes
 - **Resolution #01062018-10:** Thank You- Pete Clapham
 - **Resolution #01062018-11:** Approving funds for Retirement Party

- **Management Subcommittee**
 - No meeting
 - Created ad hoc group to review and update LEPC Bylaws
 - Holding meeting on Feb. 9 with Mark Vedder to discuss funding and purchasing for future Ohio Hazmat Conferences



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- **Facilities Security and Accident Prevention Subcommittee**

- Nothing reported

- **Transportation Subcommittee**

- Amtrak derailment in Washington. Route was brand new on maiden voyage, line was upgraded to include passenger transportation. Location of derailment had speed limit of 35 mph, train was going closer to 80mph when it derailed. Third Amtrak derailment in 3 years. Congress holding up appointment of Federal Railroad Administration and new rules/regulations remain in limbo. Furthermore, National Transportation Safety Board has 4 members, 3 of which are aviation experts. Rail is getting left behind from federal agencies.

- **Spills Subcommittee**

- Past spills:
 - 5 unresolved spills: one is past 90 days, four others are getting close. Will be referring to Prosecutor's Office
- Current period spills: 3 new reportable spills since last meeting
 - Received reports from: 0
 - Due for post-30-day first notice letter: 3
 - Not yet at 30-day deadline: 0
- Notable spills: 200-300 gal of gas spilled from tanker. Tanker was in process of offloading gas into station when it began sliding on ice, the hose broke off, and gas spilled to ground.
 - Wrong way crash led to entire tanker spilling onto I-77 in October. Costs associated:
 - \$6067.00- lost product
 - \$86,657- tanker damage
 - \$250,800- cleanup/remediation cost
 - NEORSR does not bill for response, Ohio EPA bills for response, Cle FD bills for materials used but not time

- **Emergency Preparedness and Response**

- 2018 Hazmat Exercise will be TTX with Westshore Hazmat and USCG. Next meeting 1/10 to learn further details
- NASTTPO Conference in April in Oklahoma City, and again in October, location TBD. Planning national CAMEO Conference, first time in about 10-15 years. Region 6 is discussing setting up conference.
- New versions of CAMEO and Tier2 Submit are available
- Emergency Response Guides are available from OEM
- Non-fire departments (police, health, etc.) are potentially available for HMEP grant funding

- **CCOEM Report**

- Records Requests- 39
- Tier II Reports- 2
- Sent email to facilities with new EPA reporting requirements and requesting use of Tier2 Submit
- EHS site visits- working with Bedford Hts FD to schedule visit for American Seaway Foods on Jan. 17



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- CFATS call- had phone survey with U.S. Government Accountability Office to discuss CFATS program. Focused on how and to what extent DHS's Infrastructure Security Compliance Division shares information from the CFATS program with state and local emergency responders
 - Not much is shared with local level, so we are meeting with DHS Chemical Security inspector Jennifer Andrews (works on CFATS) on 1/17
 - Group discussion about potentially having Facilities Security and Accident Prevention Subcommittee conducting seminar for CFATS facilities
- Sent letter to FRA Office of Chief Counsel requesting conditional access for Bryan Kloss to review sensitive security information. Bryan has various clearance levels
 - Latest FRA response (1/5/18): Your request is still under review at FRA and DOT.
- Working with County Law Dept to review County-LEPC Agreement
- Updating LEPC Bylaws- looking for volunteers for ad hoc committee with at least 2 years on LEPC
- 2018 Exercise-USCG/Westshore- next planning meeting 1/10
- Commodity Flow Study- working with Grants Dept. to publish Request For Proposal
 - Same with Evacuation Annex
- SERC grant application due Feb 1
- County IT updating websites, including LEPC's. Working to get that up- no timeframe
- Filling last position (Senior Emergency Management Specialist) within OEM, to start in February
- Knowledge Center resource database project is ongoing. Requesting all police, fire, service departments to upload resources into KC- will provide countywide view of what is available
- Developing Incident Management Team to support incidents within Cuyahoga County and surrounding areas
- **Next Meeting:**
 - LEPC Spills Subcommittee meeting: Monday March 5, 2018 at the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District at 12:30pm
 - Main LEPC meeting: Monday March 5, 2018 at the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District at 1:30pm