



**CUYAHOGA COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE
JANUARY 7, 2013 MEETING MINUTES**

Roll Call

Chief Sloan conducted roll call.

Attendance: Brian Athey (Jim Armstrong*), Bill Belardo, Wade Balser (Reggie Brown*), Captain Mike Dziak*, Lt. Alan Finkelstein*, John Rhodes (Frank Foley*), Randy Helmick*, Barbara Hermes*, John Jurcsisn*, Chief Chris Kostura*, Sheldon Lustig*, Walter Topp (Brandy Carney*), Don Obermeir*, Tony Passalacqua*, Mary Jane Pavlick*, Chief Bryan Sloan*, Randy Solganik*, Jessica Tischler*

* - LEPC Member

Guests: Sharon Nicastro (Citizen Corp)

Administrative

Chief Sloan conducted the meeting. Mr. Lustig entertained a motion to nominate incumbents if they are willing to serve another term. Nominations are closed and unanimous ballot cast for Chair and Vice Chair positions. Barbara Hermes second. Motion approved.

Minutes

Motion to approve minutes as amended made by Lt. Finkelstein; second by Tony Passalacqua. Chief Sloan abstained. Meeting minutes approved.

Financial Report

Bill Belardo presented the Financial Report for the period ending December 31, 2012. Last three columns on spreadsheet show the only movement with funding. \$.96 was obtained from an information request; reimbursement of \$11,400 from HazMat IQ class; and reimbursement of \$21,324.53 was made from HMEP 19th Year Grant . Current balance is \$307,817.24. Motion to accept Financial Report made by John Jurcsisn; second by Lt. Finkelstein. Financial Report approved.

Public Information Requests

Mrs. Phifer reported 79 total Information Requests for the year.

Tier II Reports: Mrs. Phifer

No Tier II reports received since beginning of the year.



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Management Subcommittee

Chief Sloan discussed the updated the Bylaws and entertained a motion to approve them as drafted. John Jurcsis motioned to approve; Barbara Hermes second. Motion approved. Bill gave an update on the County Agreement. The Management Subcommittee will meet to discuss changes made and finalize the document prior to March 2013 LEPC Main Meeting. Lt. Finkelstein discussed how he requested that the LEPC have a voting seat on the CCESAB. The CCESAB will make their decision in the near future. Lt. Finkelstein discussed the CCESAB's history and their purpose.

Facilities Security and Accident Prevention Subcommittee

No Report.

Transportation Subcommittee

Mr. Lustig mentioned the Transportation Subcommittee has not met since the last LEPC meeting. Also discussed was a derailment in NJ back in November. Mr. Lustig discussed how the AP in Montana is interested in our committee and what we are working on in terms of rerouting hazmat train routes here in Cuyahoga County.

Spills Subcommittee

Mr. Rhodes made the report for Frank Foley. An unknown amount of fuel spilled to the Rocky River. Fuel spill reported by Arcelor Mittal to the Cuyahoga River. Fish Kill in Chippewa Creek from VA in Brecksville. Discussion pursued on updating the Spills Matrix.

Emergency Preparedness and Response

Lt. Finkelstein discussed the Cleveland FD would exercise one of their facilities for the upcoming LEPC exercise. Date not set but, planning for May. Lt. Finkelstein will keep Committee posted on dates so LEPC Members can come observe. Cpt. Dziak is the point of contact for Cleveland FD

Lt. Finkelstein has been asked to consult on the development of Operation Response Software. This software provides detailed rail car information and is available for planners and first responders in dealing with rail car incidents. As soon as software is available, Lt. Finkelstein will make available to the LEPC.

Mark Vedder will be hosting the annual Ohio HazMat Teams Conference this November. He may come to the LEPC for future funding

New Business

Lt. Finkelstein discussed the Population Protection and the need to put out an RFQ (Request for Qualifications) for Instructor's for the future. The online classes are currently on the LEPC website and



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will be placed on Ready.Cuyahoga website in the near future. Class currently has tentative DHS approval.

Mr. Belardo is working on fixing Spill Line voicemail issue.

Mr. Topp discussed the proposed EOC locations and the feasibility study created by consultant to help with project. The LEPC would like to have input on design of new EOC

Resolution 010713-2 was passed to transfer HMEP funds from the LEPC account into OEM's account.

Mr. Topp discussed the Presidential Disaster Declaration Cuyahoga County received from the Super Storm Sandy. Please contact the Office of Emergency Management if you have any questions.

Next meeting will be March 4, 2013 at 1:30pm at the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District.
The Spills Subcommittee will meet preceding the LEPC meeting at 12:30 pm.