

**LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
**July 2, 2007 MEETING MINUTES**

**Roll Call**

- Mr. Kasler conducted roll call.
- Attendance: Timothy Bezpiaty; Brandy Carney; Jim Carrell; Alan Finkelstein\*; Frank Foley (sitting in for Richard Connelly\*); Bob Gahr\*; Randy Helmick\*; Barbara Hermes\*; Camilla Johnson; John Jurcisisn\*; Jeff Kasler; Sheldon Lustig\*; Herb Mausser\*; Marty Murphy\*; Don Obermeier; Anthony Passalacqua\*; Bob Patton\*; Jane Pavlick\*; Brenda Phifer; Melissa Rodrigo; Randy Solganik\*; Steven Williams, Jr.;

\* - LEPC member

**Administrative**

Mr. Patton called the meeting to order at 1:30pm. The minutes from May 7, 2007 meeting were approved by a motion made from Mr. Mausser and seconded by Ms. Hermes.

**Financial Report**

Ms. Johnson provided the Financial Report. Mr. Gahr motioned to receive and file the Financial Report; motion seconded by Mr. Finkelstein and approved.

**Public Information Requests**

Ms. Carney noted 25 public information requests since last meeting. Ms. Rodrigo asserted that some requests were received late due to the County EMA move from 1255 Euclid (Sterling Building) to 1276 West 3<sup>rd</sup> (Marion Building).

**Management Subcommittee**

Mr. Patton announced the addition of an LEPC member to the Counter Antiterrorism (CAT) Committee. The Cuyahoga County Emergency Services Board (CCESAB) granted final approval.

Mr. Finkelstein motioned for a resolution granting \$299.72 for the LEPC Hazmat Exercise held on June 13, 2007. Motion seconded by John Jurcisisn.

Ms. Hermes asserted her intent to leave the LEPC, as she is now retired and no longer working the industry. Ms. Hermes introduced Don Obermeier as her suggested replacement. Mr. Patton requested that Ms. Hermes remain a member of the LEPC.

Mr. Patton noted that the Population Protection RFP will go out to Procurement this week and offered no update on the LEPC-County Agreement (Bylaws).

### **Facility Security and Accident Prevention Subcommittee**

Mr. Mausser reported that the Committee met on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 to primarily discuss the November 2007 seminars on Chemical Facility Antiterrorism Standards. He advised that dates and times had been formalized.

Mr. Mausser added that Peter Lubs of Lubrizol is confirmed as a speaker for the 1<sup>st</sup> seminar and Dan Isaacson confirmed as the speaker at the final seminar. Mr. Jurcsisn advised that he would meet with a representative of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security on July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2007 to discuss participation in the seminars.

Mr. Mausser presented a proposed budget for the seminars. After Committee discussion, Mr. Mausser asked that a flat \$10,000 be allotted for all three seminars. Ms. Rodrigo made a motion to accept the \$10,000 figure, and Ms. Pavlick seconded that motion.

### **Spills Subcommittee**

Mr. Foley (sitting in for Mr. Connelly) offered no report. Ms. Carney added that she had received two spill reports since the previous Subcommittee meeting.

### **Emergency Preparedness and Response Subcommittee**

Mr. Finkelstein announced the completion of a successful 2007 LEPC Hazmat Exercise, held in Bedford Heights at the Bedford Heights Wastewater Treatment Plant. All five exercised objectives were met according to the State of Ohio. Mr. Finkelstein noted that Mr. Kasler had mailed out thank you letters to all participating parties and motioned that formal resolutions be passed for the evaluators, facilitators, participants, the state of Ohio and associated cities. Mr. Jurcsisn seconded the motion.

### **Compliance and Tier II Submissions**

Ms. Phifer reported that 290 noncompliance letters have been mailed out for facilities that have not yet reported.

Tim Bezpiaty spoke on the data inputting issues facing the County, specifically focusing on CAMEO and Novell. Mr. Finkelstein did not concur with Mr. Bezpiaty's position. It was suggested that Mr. Finkelstein meeting with the members of the County IT Department to try and find a final resolution to this ongoing quandary.

## **Other Business**

Ms. Phifer noted that the LEPC Conference is scheduled for August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

Mr. Mausser noted that the Facilities Subcommittee would attempt to contact a representative of CSX Transportation to speak with the LEPC.

Ms. Rodrigo and Mr. Murphy addressed questions regarding the County's GIS system. Ms. Rodrigo noted that the ultimate goal of the system is to incorporate many layers of mapping information. Mr. Murphy added that over-flies at a 6" resolution as well as the topography are complete. Mr. Finkelstein requested that the LEPC be privy to the site hosting the completed work.

Mr. Patton questioned the status of Dan Meaney's (Planning Commission) contract. Ms. Rodrigo motioned to renew Mr. Meaney's contract, and Ms. Hermes seconded that motion.

Mr. Gahr discussed a past airing of the Mike Trivisonno show in which the host arguably incited public panic. Mr. Gahr suggested the Management Subcommittee meet in the future whenever a similar event occurs.

**Next meeting set for September 10, 2007 at 1:30pm at NEORSD.**