

Medina County LEPC

November 3, 2016 Regular Meeting

Present

Matt Sturgeon
Greg Smith
Alliss Strogin
Dave Rickon
Colin Johnson
Christina Fozio

Wally Sobczyk
Diane Dobrovic
James Baird
Sue Netzly Watkins
Mark Albrecht
Anthony Dattilo

Ben Nau

Guests

Cecilia Ryan
Rev. Dr. Sharon Kiesel
Kathie Jones
Brandi Korzon
Sylvia Johnson

Call to Order

Director Fozio called the meeting to order at 8:34 AM.

In memory of LEPC Chairman Jim Bigam, his usual seat was left empty and the LEPC observed a moment of silence in his honor.

Minutes

Albrecht motioned to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as written, seconded by Strogin, and approved by all.

Chair and Vice Chair Election

Fozio requested nominees for the Chair and Vice Chair positions.

Fozio motioned to elect Anthony Dattilo as the Chairman, seconded by Albrecht, and approved by all.

With no nominations for the Vice Chair position, nominations will be continued as the next meeting.

EMA Report

Fozio reported the EMA Executive Board approved the FY2017 budget.

Nau reported that the Medina County/ Summit County joint LEPC conference will be held in March of 2017.

Nau reported that Medina County received a recognition award for 2016 for the twenty-second consecutive year.

Dave Rickon apprised the LEPC that MC ARES now has Winlink capabilities to send emails over HF radio.

Release Reports

Ohio Edison reported a spill of approximately 115 gallons of oil from four utility pole transformers in Medina.

Hinckley Convivence gave a 30-minute report for a gasoline spill in Hinckley.

A deficiency notice was sent to Balkan Transport for not sending a 30-day follow up report.

Nau is going to start sending informal reminders for spill notices to help this problem.

Additionally, the hazmat team now has 30 minute reports to help people comply with 30-minute reporting.

Hazmat Response Cost Recovery

\$3500 was received from Balkan Transport.

The Medina County Prosecutor's Office is working on collecting from Landmark.

Hazmat Team Report

Greg reported that hazmat responded to a call near St. Rt. 303 and Metzger for ~100 gallons of diesel spilled from a semi-tractor saddle tank & oil from an electrical transformer. They also responded to the gasoline leak at Hinckley Convivence, in which it was estimated ~50 gallons leaked into the site's containment system and ~60 gallons spilled off site. The Team conducted drivers training, which was a success although a tire blew on 358-2, which damaged the passenger side. The Team conducted outreach training for Medina Township FD on decontamination. Greg is presenting on hospital decon at the hazmat conference in Solon this weekend, and Tom Bartfai is presenting on highway cargo tank construction.

All-Hazards Team Report:

Wally reported that the Team responded to a structural collapse call in Brunswick for a motor vehicle vs. house. Also, all the trailers are now indoors because of the garage in Montville.

Once Around:

Cecilia Ryan of OSRT reported that OSRT has a search drone now with five team members training to fly it. Also, Capt. Ryan just completed a lost person train the trainer course and is available to deliver training upon request.

Sue Netzky Watkins of Ohio EPA reminded everyone of ODNR's new one-call incident reporting for oil and gas spills.

Diane Dobrovic of Summa Lake Medina informed the group that she is advancing to a new position by passing her NP boards therefore Brandi Korzan will be representing Summa Lake Medina at the meetings from now on.

Kathie Jones of Sustainable Medina County introduced herself to the LEPC and expressed she was in attendance to find out what kind of plans are in place for hazards presented by the Nexus Pipeline.

Rev. Dr. Sharon Kiesel of Sustainable Medina County introduced herself to the LEPC and stated that she was in attendance to be a voice for people who have been injured by the environment as she suffers from Multiple Chemical Sensitivity. She expressed her concerns over the environmental impact of the Nexus Pipeline.

Sylvia Johnson, a citizen, introduced herself to the LEPC. She stated her concern that the Nexus Pipeline would threaten Chippewa Lake, and she is concerned for the citizens near the route. She stated her concern about the ability of those with special needs to evacuate in the event of an emergency involving the proposed pipeline. She is also concerned that the Nexus Pipeline could create a national security threat, of which information is available on the internet.

Alliss Stroggin of Medina CARES informed everyone the CARES participated in a Summit County Red Cross sheltering exercise.

Greg Smith of Medina Hospital discussed Jim Bigam and shared memories of Jim. Additionally, Greg informed the LEPC that Reggie Brown of Ohio EPA is planning on retiring very soon, and that Reggie has been very good to work with in Medina County. Lastly, Greg discussed the Heroin/ Carfentanil problem in this area. Because of this, Medina Hospital has reviewed and updated its Mass Fatality Plan since they serve as the county morgue.