

Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Local Emergency Planning Committee

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Monday, June 14, 2021

1:30 PM Hybrid Meeting: Dane County Emergency Management Alternate EOC/Fitchburg Fire Station #1, 5791 Lacy Road - Fitchburg or Zoom, see top of agenda for instructions on how to join the webinar or call in by phone.

A. Call To Order

Chair Trapp called the meeting to order at 1:34pm.

Present 8 - RICH ROTH, MARISA TRAPP, CARRIE MEIER, CHARLES TUBBS, DAVE VOLENBERG, NATHAN BUBENZER, DAN BLACKDEER, and FLOYD ROSE

Excused 1 - TIM MROWIEC

Absent 2 - BURLIE WILLIAMS, and CHARLOTTE DELESTE

Other Present: Beck Slater-DCEM, Denise Kelley-DCEM, Ed Ruckriegel-Madison Fire, Dave Larson-VA Hospital

B. Consideration of Minutes

2021 FEBRUARY 2021 LEPC MINUTES

MIN-078

Attachments: 2021 MIN-078

A motion was made by VOLENBERG, seconded by ROTH, that the Minutes be

approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Action Items

None

D. Presentations

Hazmat and EOD Cascading Effects of Domestic, Active Threats and other Bad Actor Incidents, Charles Tubbs and Becki Slater

Slater presented two incidents that had cascading effects related to Hazmat and Hazmat responses. One was the Timberlake Trails Apartment incident, residents reported smelling strong odors coming from an apartment. The odors turned out to be related to explosives and explosive components. The other incident was the Leland Drive incident, where the incident began as a domestic dispute and a hazardous substance was used to burn the victim. The incident caused a SWAT standoff and the evacuation of the apartment building.

Chief Pulvermacher gave a briefing on the Rockton Chemtool Plant Explosion, occuring today. The event shows the importance of pre-planning for events and having a plan on "how do we respond". Emergency response is being supported by Wisconsin response agencies using the MABAS system. This is a perfect example of why having an accurate chemical inventory for each facility is crucial for planning and preparedness. Knowing what resources would likely be needed prior to an event is critical. Having an inventory of the available resources plays an important role also. Volenburg talked about how Hydrite prepares. He talked about the annual exercises done to set up relationships and be prepared for an event. The Dane County area will learn from this event. To see the full impact of the event, the situation will need to be monitored. Can't just focus on the initial impacts. Emergency Management is important to help plan these events. It is a goal to have communities operate in a sustainable and safe manner. The Dane County Fire Chiefs Association will be working closely with Dane County Emergency Management to make sure an event like the Rockton Plant doesn't happen in the Dane County Area.

E. Reports to Committee

Madison Fire HazMat Team Report - Mrowiec

Mrowiec provided a written update on notable incidents responded to since the last meeting. In February, the McFarland Fire Department responded to a possible chemical spill with an injured person. A carpet cleaning crew had been on site cleaning a 12X12 room earlier in the day, an Emergency Room Doctor in Columbus was treating one of the employees from the crew. The crew member thought his symptoms were from mixing two chemicals when cleaning the floor, the HIT 7 team researched and noted the two chemicals when mixed created chlormene and could cause possible inhalation problems. The doctor advised, the symptoms of the crew member appeared to be more from carbon monoxide. Upon investigation, the department was able to locate a roof heating vent that was causing the carbon monoxide levels to rise within the structure. Once the roof heating vent was cleared, the structure was ventilated naturally and mechanically and the carbon monoxide levels decreased. In June, the HIT team had a phone consult with Engine 5 for a natural gas leak, the reading on the closed exterior of the entrance door to the apartment complex was at 46, indicating that the gas is at 46% of the 10% of the LEL limit for methane at minimum. Engine 5 evacuated the building and shut off the gas to the building. HIT leader monitored the radio during the incident.

EPCRA Report - Slater

Current EPCRA Planning Updates: Plan of Work runs from October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021. 16 plans identified for update and nearly all have been completed. 18 new plans, this number has been modified since the last report, 13 of these plans are near completion. The total reporting facilities is 492. The total planning facilities is 179. The County wide Strategic Plan Update is estimated to be completed by June 23, 2021. An updated Spill report was handed out covering the previous three years. Working on completion of the EPCRA State Computer and HazMat Response Grant 2021 application, total applied for is \$9,996.

LEPC Membership Reports - All

Roth advised he is looking at the possibility of retiring by the end of the year after 34 years. He is working on transitioning some duties in preparation for this next chapter.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next Meeting: Monday, October 11, 2021 at 1:30pm.

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None

I. Adjourn

A motion was made by ROTH, seconded by VOLENBERG, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Denise Kelley, Emergency Management Planning Clerk III.