



MINUTES

Eau Claire County

Local Emergency Planning Committee

Thursday, September 8, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

Eau Claire County Government Center

721 Oxford Avenue, Eau Claire • Room 3312

Present: Katherine Schneider (via phone), Darrell Christy, Jack Running, Marisa Stanley, Robert King, Diane Hunter*, Thomas Lochner, James Hager

Absent: Kyle Johnson, Benjamin Frederick, Jason Knecht, Don Henning, Matt Jaggar, Jamie Burkhardt, Frank Neibauer

Others: Tyler Esh, Sam Simmons – Committee Clerk, Joe Kalscheur – Eau Claire City-County Health Department, Brian Cockerham – Wisconsin Emergency Management, Lisa Olson-McDonald – Wisconsin Emergency Management

Call to Order and confirmation of meeting notice

Chair Christy called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. At this time, a quorum was not present. Chair Christy requested to proceed with item 6 on the agenda.

2024-2026 Eau Claire County Integrated Preparedness Plan

Tyler Esh, Emergency Management Coordinator for Eau Claire County, gave a presentation to the Committee on the 2024-2026 Eau Claire County Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP). The presentation outlined an overview of Emergency Management funding, the IPP process, and the desire for the Committee to bring forward preparedness priorities at the next Committee meeting.

*Diane Hunter joined at 4:07 p.m., during the presentation, a quorum was then present.

Supervisor Schneider asked if funding for the three Emergency Management (EMPG, EPCRA, and Computer/Hazmat) is factored into the annual budget. Mr. Esh confirmed that they are and that the funding has been consistent for several decades.

Joe Kalscheur, Public Health Specialist – Emergency Preparedness for the Eau Claire City-County Health Department, gave an overview on a grant for volunteer management. Mr. Kalscheur indicated his desire to incorporate this into the Integrated Preparedness Plan.

Public Comment

Chair Christy confirmed the presence of a quorum at this time and confirmed that the meeting was noticed. Request for public comment was given. There were no written comments or public present in-person or virtually.

Review/Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes

The Committee reviewed the June 23, 2022 Meeting Minutes with two corrections needed. Sam Simmons, Committee Clerk, will correct the minutes before submitting. Motion by Supervisor Schneider, seconded by Jack Running to approve the June 23, 2022 Meeting Minutes with corrections. All in favor, motion carried.

Local Hazardous Materials Spill Response Team Report

None given.

Emergency Management Updates

Mr. Esh updated the Committee on the following items regarding Emergency Management:

- All LEPC meetings moving forward will be required to have a virtual attendance option in accordance with a County Ordinance that was recently adopted.
- Eau Claire County will be hosting several Incident Command System trainings in 2023.
- The annual Wisconsin Emergency Management Association and MABAS Conference will be held from September 21-24 in Steven's Point.
- Eau Claire County is participating in initial conversations about forming an Incident Management Team (IMT) for the IMT Northwest Region, which includes Eau Claire. This region is the only region in the state without a dedicated IMT.

Next Meeting Date

The Committee agreed on the next meeting to be held on either December 1st or 8th, 2022. Chair Christy requested that Clerk Simmons ask the Committee for a preferred date in early November.

Adjourn

Motion by Jack Running, seconded by James Hager to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sam Simmons – Clerk, Local Emergency Planning Committee