

MINUTES

Eau Claire County
Local Emergency Planning Committee
Thursday, February 9, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. *Hybrid Meeting*

Present: Katherine Schneider, Matt Jaggar, Darrell Christy, Jack Running, Don Henning, Robert King, Frank Neibauer, Diane Hunter, Thomas Lochner, James Hagar

Vacant: Media Representative

Absent: Benjamin Frederick, Kyle Johnson, Jason Knecht, Jamie Burkhardt, Marisa Stanley

Others: Tyler Esh, Valerie Desio – Committee Clerk, Joan Miller – Ready Team-CV, Joe Kalscheur – Health Department

Call to Order and confirmation of meeting notice

Chair Christy called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and confirmed that the meeting was noticed.

Roll Call

The roll was called by the clerk, and it is noted above under present. A quorum was confirmed.

Review/Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes

The Committee reviewed the minutes from January 5, 2023, with one correction to the date of meeting. Motion by Katherine Schneider, seconded by Jack Running to approve the January 5, 2022 Meeting Minutes with correction. All in favor, motion carried.

Review/Approval of 2022 Hazardous Materials Strategic Plan

Tyler Esh, Emergency Management Coordinator, outlined the Plan to the Committee. Two changes noted to Section 2: LEPC Membership. Valerie Desio, Emergency Management Program Assistant, noted the addition of two planning facilities. Received request to add railway information to Section 4: Hazard Analysis. Tyler Esh noted updates to Section 10: Training and Exercises to include exercises conducted last year and updates to the Attachments. Motion by Matthew Jaggar, seconded by Robert King, to approve the 2023 Hazardous Materials Strategic Plan with corrections as mentioned. All in favor, motion carried.

Review/Approval of LEPC Bylaws

Tyler Esh noted that the LEPC Bylaws have not changed in several years. Motion by Matthew Jaggar, seconded by Don Henning to approve the LEPC Bylaws. All in favor, motion carried.

LEPC Compliance Inspector Designation for FFY 2023

Tyler Esh noted that each fiscal year, the LEPC must designate a Compliance Inspector for EPCRA planning. Historically, this has been assigned to Wisconsin Emergency Management. Motion by Frank Neibauer, seconded by Jack Running to designate Wisconsin Emergency Management as the LEPC Compliance Inspector for FFY 2023. All in favor, motion carried.

Local Hazardous Materials Spill Response Team Report

Matthew Jaggar, City of Eau Claire Fire Department updated the Committee on the latest hazardous materials incidents:

- There have been 18 total incidents since January 2023.
- 9 events were CO related, and 2 with CO present.
- 8 events were gas leaks.
- 1 event was oil or other chemical spill.

Emergency Management Updates

Tyler Esh updated the Committee on the following items regarding Emergency Management:

- There are several upcoming trainings being held. The Committee is encouraged to contact Emergency Management staff if interested in these trainings.
- Emergency Management is participating in several mitigation projects, including a severe weather shelter in Altoona and the updating of the County Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- There is forward movement to purchase a new Emergency Command Vehicle with grant funds
- The opening of Emergency Management's new Emergency Operations Center in the new County Highway facility is delayed, unknown when will open.
- Valerie Desio discussed work on the active shooter training program being developed for area responders.

Next Meeting Date

The Committee agreed on the next meeting to be held in either May 18, 2023. Tyler Esh mentioned that the off-site response plans and County Sulfuric Acid Battery plan, should be ready for review at that time.

Adjourn

Motion by Don Henning, seconded by Frank Neibauer to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valerie Desio - Clerk, Local Emergency Planning Committee