

ROCK COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

November 15, 2011 - Minutes

Gary Schenck, Chair, called the meeting of the Rock County Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 9:15 AM at the Rock County Health Care Center EOC room.

Jay D. Hunt, Inspector, Department of Homeland Security, spoke to the Committee regarding dangerous chemicals in the Rock County area.

Additional Guest: Tim Schuster, Evonik Goldschmidt.

Members present: Gary Schenck, Shirley Connors, Kyle Geissler, Dave Ausloos, Randy Leyes, Ron Sagen, Randy Thompson, Bridget Aldridge, Robert Wildermuth and Deputy Chief John Olsen, alternate for Deputy Chief Dan Davis.

Members Absent: David Innis, Beth Natter, Karen Cain, John Conger, Jay Gasser, Tim Curtis, Jude Maurer, Loren Lippincott, Dan Davis and Matt Simon.

Adoption of Agenda: Motion made by Ron Sagen and seconded by Dave Ausloos to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Randy Thompson and seconded by Ron Sagen to approve the minutes from September 20, 2011. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- ◆ **Plan of Review** – There were no plans to review.

Shirley Connors advised the Committee she submitted a list of plans along with the Plan of Work to Wisconsin Emergency Management.

- ◆ **Community Right-to-Know** – Ron Sagen advised the Committee there has been an offer to establish a facebook website which needs county approval. He stated there was a concern expressed regarding keeping it updated.
- ◆ **Membership** – Shirley Connors advised there is an opening for media with the LEPC Committee. She contacted one of the newspapers in the Beloit area but has had no response to this date.

Emergency Management Report:

- ◆ **Budget Report** – Shirley Connors distributed the budget report with no questions from the Committee. She stated the LEPC budget for FY 2011-2012 had an additional \$68 added to it.

- ◆ Spill Report -- Shirley Connors distributed the spill report with no questions from the Committee.

- ◆ Clean Sweep – Shirley Connors

Advised the committee there was a successful clean sweep. She passed information on to the members to review. She stated there were 265 households and farms which was the highest number yet. There was 13,699 pounds total hazardous waste from all sites. The event was open to all county residents. There were 1,165 contracted businesses, which also participated. There is a grant planned for 2012 making Rock County eligible for grant reimbursement.

- ◆ Training – Gary Schenck - Shirley Connors

Shirley Connors advised she is working on volunteer training and tentative dates for volunteer reception center training which will be January 5, 2012 in the afternoon and January 6, 2012 in the morning.

Gary advised there is quite a bit of NIMS training out there. He went on to state that grants were being denied to municipalities because they were not NIMS compliant.

Shirley informed the committee if there were any training classes they were interested in taking, contact her and she will check on the training classes to see if any are available.

Gary stated that initially, training classes could not be held for groups under 20 but he stated that might be changing. He further stated that he has been attending the Winnebago County LEPC Planning meetings. There is a training that will be conducted at their spring Midwest may conference. A group from Illinois will be doing a presentation on a tabletop exercise on how to handle small spills. More information will be forthcoming at the next meeting.

- ◆ Transportation Hazardous Materials Flow Study – Shirley Connors

Informed the Committee Dane County is considering making application for a grant for \$25,000 to hire a contractor to conduct a “commodity flow study” combining Dane, Columbia, Sauk and Rock Counties. She felt it would be a great benefit to Rock County.

- ◆ Plan of Work – Shirley Connors

Submitted FFY 2012 initial Plan of Work documents to Wisconsin Emergency Management.

Public Health -- Nothing to report. Karen Cain absent.

Public Input – Shirley Connors

Advised emergency management trailer is being transferred to the City of Janesville Fire Department Level B Hazmat Team. The resolution that is being done for the transfer has to go through three committees for approval per Shirley but she does not anticipate any problems.

Old Business – None

New Business – None

Next Meeting:

The next LEPC meeting will be held on January 17, 2012.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Randy Thompson and seconded by Ron Sagen to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted:
Shirley Klipstein

Materials distributed at this meeting were:

1. Spill Release Report
2. Budget Report