

**ROCK COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Full LEPC Membership – Minutes

September 17, 2019

Members Present:

Chair Robert Swenarski, Gary Schenck, Catherine Kolb, Rick Wietersen, Bob Wildermuth, Sergeant Shena Kohler, Todd Bolen, Lieutenant Ron Sagen, Todd Lambert, Deputy Chief Terry Sheridan, Ken Hoffman, Sharon Rateike, Rick Richard, Dave Botts

Guests:

Tammy Kettleson (RCSO-EM), Terri Carlson (Rock County Risk Management), Josh Shere (Rock County Public Health)

Call to Order:

Chair Robert Swenarski called the meeting of the Rock County Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 9:05 AM at the Emergency Operations Center in the Rock County Health Care Center.

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion by Bob Wildermuth and seconded by Lieutenant Ron Sagen to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Rick Wietersen and seconded by Sgt. Shena Kohler to approve the minutes from July 16, 2019. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Plan of Review:

The Committee reviewed 2 updated facility plans. The Committee recommended the plans be forwarded to the State for approval.

UPDATED PLANS –

Updated – County Wide Battery Plan (6 facilities updated)

- Batteries Plus- (012817-5)- Janesville, WI
- Blue Scope- (12170)- Evansville, WI
- Charter Cable Partners- (019859-1)- Janesville, WI
- Southern Area Operations Center- (13849)- Beloit, WI
- Treehouse Foods Private Brands- (200935)- Beloit, WI
- Windstream KDL- (018417-9)- Janesville, WI

Updated – Evonik Corporation (001080-9)- Janesville, WI

Removals- Landmark (44123)- Evansville, WI
Landmark (1195)- Whitewater, WI

Community Right-to-Know:

Community Right-to-Know subcommittee did not meet. No update.

Plan of Work:

Sgt. Shena Kohler discussed the 2020 Plan of Work initiatives include transitioning the emergency operations plan annexes to ESFs beginning with Annex F to ESF 6- ESF 6- Mass Care, Emergency Assistance, Housing, and Human Services. Emergency Management will be working on power outage planning and exercising in the coming year. She also

discussed a few changes in regards to offsite planning: an increase in the billing to Public Health for completely the plans by \$1,000, and an audit of plans that revealed 8-10 plans needing adjustment. She also announced a new change in the language from the state and we can no longer pay to send LEPC members to conferences. Only EMPG funded positions are eligible. Shena will send out the new language provided by the state.

Membership:

Membership subcommittee did not meet. No update.

Emergency Management Reports

Current Events:

Sgt. Shena Kohler reported that the City of Beloit declared a State of Emergency due to heavy rains from last week, a storm sewer in the 200 block of Bluff Street sustained substantial damage causing a washout of the Rock River bank, exposing a gas line. She went on to explain the declaration process and resources available. She also discussed that with heavy rains and localized flooding, we have sand bags available for citizens that want them. Citizens will need to provide their own sand.

Budget Report:

The budget report was distributed.

Spill Report:

The 2019 spill report was distributed.

Training:

Emergency Management will be hosting a Critical Incident Management class September 25-27, 2019. Sgt. Shena

Public Health:

Rick Wietersen introduced Josh Shere from Public health who helps to produce the offsite plans. He announced that there will be a low cost rabies clinic on Saturday, September 21, 2019 at the Rock County Fairgrounds. He also discussed that flu season is fast approaching and to get your flu vaccines as soon as possible.

Hazmat Team:

Lieutenant Ron Sagen reported that they have upgraded to a new hazmat decontamination trailer and are looking to find a place for their old trailer. They are waiting to hear back from the City of Beloit if they want the old trailer. Ron also reported on a recent hazmat incident at the Rock County Courthouse. He and Terri Carlson discusses successes and lessons learned from that incident. He also discussed another recent hazmat incident at Frito Lay in Beloit, WI. Ron also discussed how the hazmat budget works and what equipment upgrades they have been able to do with monies provided including new radiation detection meters.

Facility Input:

None.

Public Input:

None.

Old Business:

The next meeting on November 19, 2019 will be a tabletop exercise regarding a long-term power outage response and recovery. The tabletop will last roughly about 2 hours beginning at 9:00am. More information and invitation to be sent out.

New Business:

None.

Next Meeting:

The next LEPC meeting will be held November 19, 2019 at the Rock County Health Care Center, EOC and will be a tabletop exercise. The next meeting following the tabletop exercise will be January.

Adjournment:

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Lt. Ron Sagen and seconded by Sgt. Shena Kohler. Meeting adjourned at 10:03 AM.

Respectfully submitted: Tammy Kettleon #14988