

Northeast Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee

Wednesday, May 9, 2018 10:00 a.m.



MINUTES

A meeting of the Northeast Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee was held on Wednesday, May 9, 2018, at 10:10 a.m., at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, 100 Festival Park Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida 32202. Chairperson Chief Richard Knoff called the meeting to order with the following members:

Present

Terry Carr – Environmental Anthony Cinelli – Local Environmental John Coffey - Health Chief Lenny Ensalaco – Firefighting Gracie Kennedy – Environmental Chief Richard Knoff – Firefighting Michael Lesser – Facility Operator William Lord – Facility Owner Steve Millican – Emergency Management Fred Rogers – Emergency Management Chief Todd Smith – Firefighting Amy Pilgrim *for* Henry Bonar – Facility Owner Julius Rinosa *for* Paul Crist – Transportation Pete Gunnell *for* George Faucher, Jr. – Firefighting

Absent

Morrison Braren – Non-Elected Local Official Douglas Coleman – Environmental Sandi Courson – Health Bill Decker – Local Environmental Bek Harrison – Law Enforcement Chief Joe King - Firefighting Michael Laycock – Facility Operator Quin Romay – Emergency Management Chief John Scott, III - Firefighting John Ward – Emergency Management

Excused

Ben Huron – Local Environmental Brooke Martin – Transportation Martha Oberdorfer – Emergency Management Chief Harvey Silcox – Firefighting Chief Joel Sneed – Firefighting Roger Studenski – Transportation Ken Wilkey – Facility Owner

Guests: Gerald Giriden, Lance Thibault (NS Mayport), Alexandra Porter (Gateway), Gina Lambert (FDEM), Alex Sease (Contanda Terminals), Steve Sciotto (JBFD), Alison Blitch (125th FLANG), Eric Walsh (125th FLANG), Sean Hatchett (JFRD), Bill Raspet (NAS Jax), James Ray (NCSO), Darryl Albury (FDLE), and other members of the public.

Staff Present: Tyler Nolen, Eric Anderson, Brian Teeple and Sheron Forde

*<u>Approval of Minutes</u>

Chair Knoff called for a motion on the February 2018 Meeting Minutes. Mr. Lesser made the motion to approve the February 2018 Minutes; seconded by Mr. Cinelli. The motion carried.

STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION (SERC) MEETINGS

Mr. Nolen provided an overview of the Training Task Force, LEPC Chair/Coordinator, and SERC meetings that took place April 13-13, 2018 in St. Augustine, FL.

Training Task Force Meeting

An overview of this meeting discussions were highlighted, such as, the integration of a hazmat team member into a explosive ordinance disposal and special tactics team; the 6th annual HazMat Symposium, which had 552 attendees, 65 classroom courses and seven (7) hands on courses; and providing FirstNet capabilities to regional hazmat teams. This is a broadband network designed to give first responders priority rights to cell tower services. A more detailed presentation of FirstNet will be provided at the next LEPC meeting.

LEPC Chairs/ SERC Meetings

The LEPC meeting included an overview of the Training Task Force, Statewide LEPC meeting and the SERC meeting. The Florida Pipeline Emergency Response Initiative (PERI) held their first meeting on April 11, 2018 with the transportation and distribution groups. A Committee has been formed to investigate which model the State should utilize. The next PERI meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2018. The next SERC meeting is scheduled for July 12-13, 2018.

CURRENT BUSINESS/REPORTS

Hazardous Material Release Report

Mr. Nolen provided an overview of Section 304 Release Investigations, as well as traffic evacuations, injuries or deaths from HazMat incidents. It was mentioned that the State is now requesting a seven-day follow up report on local incidents.

EPCRA/How to Comply Training

LEPC, in coordination with the State, offered three classes on the EPCRA How to Comply. This included information on how the LEPC's are organized in Florida and how to submit Tier II reports electronically. Florida is moving away from paper to wireless filing via the E-Plan.

Georgia SERC/LEPC Summit

Staff attended the Georgia SERC/LEPC Summit on February 20th and provided a presentation on Florida's LEPC operations and conduct of its LEPC/SERC. Georgia's SERC/LEPC is different in that they have 18 LEPCs that tend to be all hazards and they receive no state funding.

Gasoline Tanker Truck Emergencies Courses

Mr. Nolen stated that courses specific to gasoline tanker truck emergencies will be provided, beginning in the Fall, in multiple locations such as Baker, Duval and Nassau.

Shelter In Place/Evacuation Presentations

The LEPC provided three days of Shelter in Place training, two of which were at the Clay County Fair and one day at the Clay County touch a truck event. One is currently scheduled for Jacksonville Beach on May 25th. This presentation can be conducted at any facility upon request. A presentation will be provided at the next LEPC meeting.

A request was made to reach out to the Duval County Public Schools' Administration to bring awareness to help them branch out to ensure all schools have adequate SIP training/plans in place. Staff will follow up on this.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Training

Mr. Nolen provided an overview of the training courses completed and current thus far. LEPC is seeking to conduct a 160-hr hybrid course annually that will be hosted by a local government with several smaller clases as needed. Upcoming courses include a HazMat Safety Officer 16-hour Technician course May 10-11, an International HazMat Conference on June 7-10, Teex HazMat Instructor-ENV 501 28-hour Train-the-Trainer course June 12-15. Additionally, dates are being finalized for a recently approved Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) in HazMat Transportation Incidents course to be held at the Fire College; more information will be forthcoming.

Mr. Anderson stated that this class has been made available through the use of grant funds. It is a three-day, 10-hour per day training on UAS. Twenty participants will be identified to participate in this pilot program. Feedback will be help to determine what works and what doesn't. If successful, this LEPC will be the host for program statewide.

Special Projects

Staff continues to seek ideas for Special Projects; however, none has been identified or requested thus far.

Fentanyl Safety Presentation

Lt. Mark Rowley, Jacksonville Fire/Rescue Department, provided a presentation on Fentanyl Safety.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

<u>Next Meeting</u> – The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for 10:00am, Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at the Northeast Florida Regional Council.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the LEPC, Chair Knoff adjourned the meeting at 11:27am.