

**WASHTENAW COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Minutes

Thursday December 14, 2017
Washtenaw County Emergency Operations Center

Present: Samantha Brandfon, Marc Breckenridge, Victor Chevrette, Cary Church, Stephen Field, Pierre Gonyon, Kenneth Kelly, Heather Kost, Ben Pinette, Dave Popkey, Scott Robinson, Denise Wirtz

Excused: Donald Dettling, David Halteman, Cindra James, Kent Martinez-Kratz, Rick Norman, Mark Wesley

Absent: Stephanie Hale, Joseph Jurasek,

Call to Order

Scott Robinson called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Introductions - Dave Popkey introduced himself, he lives in the area and wanted to find out a little more about what the LEPC does. Heather Kost, Project Manager for U of M Hospital Emergency Management

Review and Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made Samantha Brandfon, second by Victor Chevrette. Approved unanimously.

Review and Approval of the September 14, 2017 Minutes

It was noted for correction that the date of the next meeting from the bottom of page three of the September 14, 2017 minutes should have been Thursday March 8, 2018.

A motion to approve the minutes of September 14, 2017 as corrected was made by Stephen Field, seconded by Victor Chevrette. Approved unanimously.

Public Comment - None

Announcements

Marc Breckenridge announced that Roger Simpson will be retiring in June. Also the Chief Financial Officer at HVA is retiring. Marc will be the representative for Huron Valley Ambulance Inc./Emergent Health Partners for both the Homeland Security Task Force and the Hazardous Material Team Authority Board.

Old Business

A. Information Coordinator's Report

Ken Kelly distributed and reviewed his report as follows.

- As of December 13, 47 EHS sites have been identified and their plans are updated
- No new plans have been created since our last meeting.
- I participated in a webinar in late September dealing with new changes to Tier II reporting. Facilities will now have to document the physical and health hazards from chemicals they store directly in the Tier II report. With that in mind, MDEQ has been sending notifications to facilities requesting that they update their 2017 Tier II reports now with that information to avoid anticipated delays for 2018 reporting. DEQ is expecting a large number of users logging on to the Tier II Manager simultaneously and that will bog down the system. I have fielded a few calls for facility operators inquiring about the changes to the reporting.
- One of our local hospitals requested a list of chemicals that are stored throughout the county. They wanted the list to assist with their awareness and training. I was able to go through the database and gave them a list of Extremely Hazardous Substances reported at or above the Threshold Planning Quantity. For the sake of this group here is that list:

Sulfuric Acid
Anhydrous Ammonia
Chlorine
Hydrogen Peroxide
Nitric Acid
Paraquat Dichloride

Sulfur Dioxide
Formaldehyde
Hydrogen Fluoride
Hydroquinone
Chromic Chloride
Sodium Cyanide

Cyclohexylamine
Ethylene Oxide
Acrylamide and Sulfur
Dioxide

B. Emergency Coordinator's Report

Ben Pinette provided the report for David Halteman who was unable to attend this meeting. Ben reported on an oil sheen/gasoline odor reported on Dexter Town Hall and linked to work being done by Rover Pipeline. The substance was traced back to a long closed gas station with contaminated soil that leached into the surrounding area which was disturbed by the digging for the pipeline. Rover stopped their work and contact local officials. On 11/9/2018, Washtenaw County experienced a complete Information Technology outage that shut down their servers and some voice-over-IP (VOIP) phone lines for over twelve hours after complications from a hard ward update.

C. HazMat Team Director's Report

Victor Chevrette updated those present on recent activities. Victor reported that air monitoring for University of Michigan Football games is complete at this time. On 10/4/2018 at 125 S. Main in Ann Arbor, an unknown substance was left in an envelope at a Chase Bank. The substance proved to be talc powder. The team also responded to a diesel fuel spill at US-23 and I-94. Victor also assisted Monroe County with six abandoned semi-trailers and other containers of fertilizer's and other farm chemicals that were found on land that had been sold at auction and needed to be removed. MDEQ, MSP Motor Carrier were also involved in assisting with the remediation of this response.

Victor advised those present that Rover Pipelines will be making a Ten thousand dollar donation to the Washtenaw County Hazardous Materials Team. This funding along with funds from the next Homeland Security Grant cycle will be used to purchase two additional air monitoring units bringing the total of new monitors up to ten.

New Business - None

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Pierre Gonyon, seconded by Samantha Brandfon at 3:25 p.m. Approved unanimously.

The next meeting of the LEPC will be held on **Thursday March 8, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.** in the Washtenaw County Emergency Operations Center, 2201 Hogback Rd., Ann Arbor MI 48105.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise A. Wirtz, PEM
Secretary