

## Warren County LEPC Meeting Minutes 06/18/2020

**LEPC members in Attendance:** Sheriff Larry Sims, David Wood, Dan Silbersack, Bill Romaine, Paul Kindell, Scott Triick, Dennis Waldbillig, Brooke Matzen, John Franks, Vince Hand, Martin Russel, Lesli Holt.

<p><b>Welcome and Introductions</b></p>	<p><b>DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION:</b> David Wood welcomed those in attendance and thanked the group for being flexible and attending the meeting virtually due to the COVID 19 pandemic. Mr. Wood explained that this was the first LEPC meeting of the year, the previously scheduled March meeting was cancelled due to the restriction on public gatherings amidst the COVID pandemic. Members in attendance introduced themselves. Because there were more members than non-members present a quorum was reached.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:</b>  None</p>
<p><b>Review of Previous Meeting Minutes</b></p>	<p><b>DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION:</b> David Wood reported that the previous meeting minutes were sent out to the LEPC members for review. There were no suggested edits sent back to David. No other edits were suggested by LEPC members present. There was a motion from <b>John Franks</b> to approve the 12/19/2019 LEPC meeting minutes. <b>Brooke Matzen</b> seconded. Motion passed.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:</b>  None</p>
<p><b>Reports:</b></p>	<p><b>DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION:</b></p> <p><u>LEPC Coordinator Update:</u> 2020 Exercise Extension:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David Wood reported that the first LEPC meeting of 2020 was scheduled for March, coinciding with the LEPC full scale exercise. The exercise had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. The SERC did extend the deadline for the 2020 exercise cycle (supposed to end on June 30) to December 31, 2020. As far as the EMA office is aware, the 2021 exercise cycle will still begin on July 1, 2020, and run through June 30, 2021. This will serve as the last year in the 4-year exercise cycle and the SERC is still requiring that all objectives be met within that cycle.</li> </ul> <p><u>EMA Update</u> David Wood reported that the county EMA has been working for the past couple months on COVID 19 response, supplying PPE to first response agencies, county departments, congregate and non-congregate facilities. The EOC has just recently been downgraded from a Level 2 (partial activation) to a Level 3 (day-to-day operations) activation. EMA staff are still fulfilling requests and working on COVID related items as needed and are beginning to work again on the county's Hazard Mitigation Plan update, grant funding opportunities, and other EMA-related tasks.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:</b>  None</p>

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	<p><u>SERC:</u> There were no representatives present to report out at this meeting. Any important SERC updates will be sent to LEPC members via email from David Wood.</p> <p><u>Ohio EMA</u> – Not present at this meeting.</p> <p><u>Ohio EPA:</u> No report at this meeting.</p> <p><u>Greater Cincinnati Hazmat:</u> Brooke Matzen reported there were two incidents in Warren County. The incident on 5/26 was the one previously mentioned by Mr. Wood that the LEPC is seeking exercise credit for, the other occurred on 6/17 in the City of Franklin and included a release of urea ammonium nitrate. There were no other reports spills in Warren County that required GC Hazmat involvement.</p> <p>GC Hazmat has a training scheduled in September (open to everyone). The “Tank Truck Emergency Response Workshop” is scheduled September 9-10 from 8-5 at Blue Ash Fire Department station 13. Free opportunity with hands-on and PowerPoint presentation.</p>	
<b>New Business:</b>		
<b>Actual Incident for exercise credit</b>	<p><b>DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION:</b> David Wood reported that originally the Warren County LEPC had scheduled a full-scale exercise in the city of Lebanon that involved an anhydrous ammonia leak. As previously mentioned, that exercise had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. Subsequently, there was an actual hazardous materials incident in the county that the LEPC is going to seek exercise credit for instead.</p> <p>The incident occurred in the 5300 block of State Route 350 and involved a tanker truck crash resulting in a fuel spill of approximately 650 gallons of fuel. This fuel leaked into a creek that fed into the Little Miami River. Responding agencies included Turtlecreek Twp. Fire, GC Hazmat, Warren County Sheriff’s Office, Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO), and Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA). The driver of the truck was transported for evaluation and the road was closed for several hours.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:</b> None</p>

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	<p>Mr. Wood explained that the objectives that were met during this actual event (that will be evaluated for exercise credit) included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initial Notification of Response Agencies</li> <li>• Incident Assessment</li> <li>• Incident Command</li> <li>• Communications</li> <li>• Response Personnel Safety</li> <li>• Population Protective Actions</li> <li>• Traffic and Access Control</li> <li>• Emergency Medical Services</li> </ul> <p>Mr. Wood stated that these objectives and accompanying information about the incident have been sent to the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) via Warren County's SERC representative, Sam Reed, who has reviewed the information and has concurred that the county should move forward with the state to request exercise credit. Chief Jameson from Turtlecreek Twp., and Dennis Waldbillig from GC Hazmat are assisting with providing details from the incident to help fill out the objective evaluation sheets that will be sent to the state.</p> <p>Mr. Wood also stated that within the next couple weeks an interview with the responders from the actual incident will be scheduled with Mr. Reed from the SERC and a neighboring LEPC Coordinator to evaluate the incident objectives for exercise credit.</p>	
<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> qtr 2020 hazardous materials spills and events for Warren County</b></p>	<p>David Wood reported on 1st Quarter Hazardous Materials Spills and Events for Warren County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1/16/2020 - 12:13 pm, I-75 near Greentree Rd. – Acids Not Specified spill (Unknown Amount)</li> <li>• 1/17/20 – Refrigerator hose cut</li> <li>• 1/28/20 – Propane tank leaking</li> <li>• 1/30/2020 - 8:56 pm, I-75 at Monroe Exit, 150 Gal. Diesel Fuel (BC EMA responded)</li> <li>• 2/10/2020 - 1:11 pm, Intersection of N Section St. &amp; Claude Ave, Transformer Oil (2 gal. approximately)</li> <li>• 2/23 Truck rolled &amp; hit propane tank causing leak</li> <li>• 3/9/2020 - 7:23 am, I-71 N just before S.R. 48 exit – 20 gallons Diesel Fuel</li> <li>• 3/17 - Gas line strike 5708 Zoar Rd.</li> <li>• 3/25 - Fuel leak from Engine 77 rollover</li> </ul>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:</b></p> <p>None</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Had 36 Odor of gas calls during 1<sup>st</sup> qtr 2020</li> <li>• Had 8 calls for fuel spill from vehicles during 1<sup>st</sup> qtr 2020</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Roundtable Discussion: Partner Updates</b></p>	<p><b>DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION:</b></p> <p><b>Telecom:</b> All systems are up and working during the pandemic. There was a dish blown out of alignment during a recent thunderstorm but back-up systems worked as designed. No other issues.</p> <p><b>Business:</b> Nothing to report for this meeting.</p> <p><b>Sheriff's Office:</b> Nothing to report for this meeting.</p> <p><b>Hospitals:</b> Not present at this meeting.</p> <p><b>USEPA :</b> Not present at this meeting.</p> <p><b>Fire:</b> No report</p> <p><b>Weather Service:</b> John Franks reported the office remains open to essential personnel only.</p> <p><b>Red Cross:</b> Vince Hand reported Red Cross has stopped their county-by-county monitoring of COVID at the end of April, however they are still continuing to assist with COVID related issues in the areas of congregate sheltering (that may be related to other disaster activities such as the flooding in Franklin County).</p> <p>A question was asked regarding the current incident seeking exercise credit. If the exercise and objectives are approved by the SERC, how soon do we expect to hear back about that so we can begin to plan future exercises? Mr. Wood said he will check with Sam but he expect to hear back by late July or early August, it depends on when the SERC meets again.</p> <p>Paul Kindell reported that the current conference line being used for this call would be retired by the next meeting, but a new Webex conferencing system will be in place and the system can be scheduled for meetings through Telecom.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:</b></p> <p>None</p>
<p><b>Next LEPC Meeting</b></p>	<p>September 17, 2020 from 1:30 – 2:30 (with a conference line available in case). David Wood reported that the Warren County EOC should provide the proper social distancing to hold an in-person meeting at that time. He reported that the</p>	

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	September meeting will most likely be focused on reviewing and editing (if needed) the Hazmat Plan annex. An Outlook Calendar invite is forthcoming.
<b>Adjourn</b>	Motion to adjourn was made by Brooke Matzen. Seconded by Bill Romaine. Meeting Adjourned at 1:47 pm