

ROCK COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

November 18, 2014 - Minutes

Chair Gary Schenck called the meeting of the Rock County Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 9:00 AM at the Rock County Health Care Center, Emergency Operations Center.

Members Present: Chair Gary Schenck, Vice Chair Lieutenant Ron Sagen, Sergeant Shena Kohler, Captain Gary Groelle, Chief Loren Lippincott, Lieutenant Brad Altman, Chris Walsh, Robert Wildermuth, Robert Swenarski, Tim Banwell, alternate for Karen Cain, Rick Richard, and Steve Benton.

Members Absent: Jay Gasser, Karen Cain, Dave Ausloos, Norvain Pleasant, Deputy Chief Dan Davis; Dick Mellom,

Guests: Tm Schuster, Evonik Corporation; Larry and Wendy Markow, Operation Lifesaver, Union Pacific Railroad; Brad Miller, Bluescope Buildings, Evansville; David Botts, Utility Director, City of Janesville; and Matt Solymassy, Landmark Services Cooperative, Cottage Grove

Adoption of Agenda: Motion by Chief Lippincott and seconded by Tim Banwell to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Steve Benton and seconded by Chief Lippincott to approve the minutes from September 16, 2014. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- ◆ **Plan of Review** – Chief Lippincott advised there was no Plan of Review Committee meeting prior to the LEPC Meeting. The Committee did review Milton Well #2 and approved the removal as recommended by the Health Department. Motion by Chief Lippincott and seconded by Robert Swenarski to forward the plan to Wisconsin Emergency Management. Motion carried.
- ◆ **Community Right-to-Know** – Nothing to report.
- ◆ **Plan of Work** – Nothing to report.
- ◆ **Membership** - Motion by Steve Benton and seconded by Chief Lippincott to recommend Tim Schuster, Evonik Corporation, as a member of the LEPC Committee replacing Josh Hilden. Tim's membership was approved by the Rock County Board of Supervisors at their October 23, 2014 meeting.

Motion by Lt. Sagen and seconded by Robert Wildermuth to suspend the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting suspended at 9:08 AM.

Larry Markow, Operation Lifesaver, Union Pacific Railroad, gave a presentation on railroad hazards and railroad safety. He gave a lengthy but very informative overview. The Committee thanked him and his wife for attending and for the presentation.

Motion by Chief Lippincott and seconded by Robert Wildermuth to reconvene the LEPC meeting. Motion carried. Meeting reconvened at 10:20 AM.

Emergency Management Report:

- ◆ Budget Report - The Committee reviewed the budget report with no questions.
- ◆ Spill Report - Spill reports were distributed. The Committee had no questions.
- ◆ Training – Sgt. Kohler advised that Captain Bill Tyler, City of Beloit Police Department, is the trainer for the ICS-400 class that will be conducted on December 1st and 2nd. The training will be held at the Health Care Center, Emergency Operations Center.

Sgt. Kohler advised there is a two-hour LEPC overview class that can be hosted at the County Health Care Center. She is currently waiting for approval.

Sgt. Kohler again reminded members if there are trainings they wish to attend with costs, they should contact her. Food and lodging for training will be paid for.

- ◆ Lt. Sagen stated the WHAMRS Conference is an excellent opportunity for hands-on training.

Public Health – Sgt. Kohler advised the Committee Public Health and Emergency Management are hosting an upcoming meeting on Ebola Thursday, December 4, 2014 from 8 AM to 12 PM., at Blackhawk Technical College, Room 1315. This meeting is to discuss emergency planning and preparedness regarding Ebola and pandemic planning in Rock County. Invitations will be forthcoming.

Committee Updates – Shirley Klipstein announced her retirement effective December 5, 2014.

Public Input – Nothing to report.

Old Business – Discussion on Summit. The Committee felt that the Summit should be tabled for a year.

New Business - Commodity Flow Study – Sgt. Kohler felt this item should be tabled for a year. She would like to see this study included in the Hazard Mitigation Plan which is due in 2016. She added it will take commitment from this Committee as well to complete the study.

Sgt. Kohler advised questions have come up regarding the conversion of annexes to ESF's (Emergency Support Functions). She is planning to discuss this issue with the State. She will continue to improve the current annexes.

Next Meeting: The next LEPC meeting will be held January 20, 2014 at the Rock County Health Care Center, Emergency Operations Center.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Robert Wildermuth and seconded by Robert Swenarski to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted:
Shirley Klipstein

Materials distributed at this meeting were:

1. Spill Report
2. Budget Report