

**WASHTENAW COUNTY  
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Minutes

Thursday September 14, 2017  
Washtenaw County Emergency Operations Center

**Present:** Samantha Brandfon, Marc Breckenridge, Victor Chevrette, Stephen Field, Joseph Jurasek, Kenneth Kelly, Rick Norman, Scott Robinson, Jeff Rohrer, Nancy Smith, Mark Wesley, Denise Wirtz

**Excused:** Donald Dettling, Stephanie Hale, Cindra James.

**Absent:** Cary Church, Pierre Gonyon, Kent Martinez-Kratz, Mark Wesley

**Call to Order**

Scott Robinson called the meeting to order at 3:08 p.m.

**Introductions**

**Review and Approval of Agenda**

**A motion to approve the agenda was made by David Halteman, second by Marc Breckenridge. Approved unanimously.**

**Review and Approval of the March 9, 2017 Minutes**

**A motion to approve the corrected minutes of March 9, 2017 was made by Samantha Brandfon, seconded by Joseph Jurasek. Approved unanimously.**

**Oath of Office**

Edwin Peart from the Clerk's office administered the Oath of Office for those members renewing their membership terms.

**Public Comment**

Marc Breckenridge introduced himself as the Emergent Health Partners – Huron Valley Ambulance - Government Relations Representative newly appointed to serve on the LEPC.

## **Announcements**

Jeff Rohrer provided an update of current ARC activity/deployment of resources in Texas and Florida. Samantha Brandfon advised that the VA is also providing support in these state for veterans effected by the hurricanes.

Marc Breckenridge advised that the State LEPC is working to update documents that will answer questions and information on what needs/should be reported.

## **Old Business**

### **A. Information Coordinator's Report**

Ken Kelly distributed and reviewed his report as follows.

- As of September 13, 47 EHS sites have been identified and their plans are updated.
- No new plans have been created since our last meeting.
- The paperwork for the 2016-2017 Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grant has been submitted to Lansing and we are awaiting payment. The grant award should be just under \$3,000.
- I will be participating in a webinar next Wednesday 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.

### **B. Emergency Coordinator's Report**

David Halteman reported on four incidents since March 9, 2017. A 4 gallon muriatic acid spill from a construction trailer, a report of a leaking barrel at Harbor Freight on Ellsworth – DEQ investigated, reported to us by Lt McQueen MSP District Coordinate – approximately 200 gallons of Optiflow to a catch basin which was contained and remediated by the company, and a natural gas leak caused by construction in the Bridge/Textile roads area.

David also advised that he attended a Freedom Township Compressor Station walk-through. The facility has been in operations for many years and is in the process of being updated and rebuilt. The project is expected to be completed by 2022.

### **C. HazMat Team Director's Report**

Victor Chevrette updated those present on recent activities. In May, team members attended the International Hazardous Materials Response Teams Conference in Baltimore. On August 21<sup>st</sup>, 31 4-person teams participated in the golf fund raiser held at Barton Hills Country Club. The team has provided air monitoring for two U of M Home Football games. Victor responded to Sill Hall which was in the process of being cleaned to assist with an odor investigation. On May 11<sup>th</sup>, there was a partial activation of the team due to a muriatic acid spill at Zeeb/Jackson. On May 12<sup>th</sup> Victor assisted Belleville for an incident involving improperly mixed pool chemicals. July 13<sup>th</sup>, assisted Ann Arbor for an unattended backpack – testing confirmed positive for cocaine. On August 3<sup>rd</sup>, a burning complaint investigation discovered a plastic table on a jogging path where unknown persons were “cooking” tree bark for its hallucinogenic properties. The team responded to the Saline Ford plant where an employee was sprayed with a hot, isocyanate/toluene solution. MDEQ contacted Victor regarding 26 1 gallon containers of used motor oil that had been dumped along a roadway in the Waterloo Recreation Area. After speaking with W.C. Environmental Health, Victor picked up the containers and transported them to the Toxic Household Hazardous Waste drop off for disposal.

### **New Business**

Samantha Brandfon advised that on Wednesday September 27, 2017, the VA will be holding an Emergency Preparation Fair from 7am to 4pm.

Those present discussed lock boxes for businesses and what the best practices are for their use.

Victor Chevrette announced that there that the Team participated in a tabletop exercise in August held at Michigan Stadium. The scenario will be mass causality.

### **Adjournment**

**A motion to adjourn was made by Stephen Field, seconded by Joseph Jurasek at 3:35 p.m. Approved unanimously.**

The next meeting of the LEPC will be held on **Thursday December 14, 2017 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