



Washtenaw County Local Emergency Planning Committee

Minutes

Thursday, March 11, 2010

St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, 5305 Administrative Services Bldg., Ann Arbor, MI

3:00 p.m.

Members Present: Rebecca Benedict, Marc C. Breckenridge, Vic Chevrette, Donald Dettling, Pierre Gonyon, John Ichesco, Pat Ivey, Joseph Jurasek, Sandra Lopez, Kenneth Kelly, Steve Manville (on behalf of Leon Moore), Daniel A. Onyskin, Scott Robinson, Kathryn Wilhoff, Linda Dintenfauss (on behalf of Red Cross)

Members Absent: Barbara Levin Bergman, Pamela Byrnes, Cindra James, Michael Perry, Lucy Teets, Leon Moore

Staff Present: Anita Heath & Kenneth Kelly

Guests Present: Debra Phillips

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m. by D. Onyskin.

II. Introductions / Welcome City of Ann Arbor LEPC

All attendees introduced themselves.

III. Review and Approval of Agenda

S. Robinson moved to approve the agenda as amended. V. Chevrette seconded and the motion carried.

IV. Review and Approval of Minutes

J. Ichesco moved to approve the minutes as presented. K. Wilhoff seconded and the motion carried.

V. Public Comment

Absent

VI. Announcements

(M. Breckenridge) 300-400 Incident Training will be held next week at Northfield Township Hall on March 16th & 17th, 2010, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. 10 seats are available.

(M. Breckenridge) On Saturday, March 20th, 2010, Skywarn Spotter Training will be held at Washington Street Education Center from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm. And a future training will be held at Saline on April 13th, 2010 in the evening.

VII. Old Business

A. EHS facility planning update (report by K. Kelly)

- Of the 56 EHS sites recognized by MDEQ we have updated information for 49 facilities
- Since our last meeting, new plans have been written for 3 facilities and the plans have been sent to Lansing for approval. Those sites are:

Michigan Bell in Chelsea, (1,018 lbs of Sulfuric Acid)
PIDC in Pittsfield Township (32,000 lbs of Nitric Acid)
Electro Arc in Scio Township (2,500 lbs of Anhydrous Ammonia)

- The Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grant agreement is being signed today and will be sent to Lansing. The grant will be \$2,890 in effect from October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010.

B. Information Coordinator's Report (reported by Steve Manville on behalf of L. Moore)

- 1191 facilities were mailed a packet with Washtenaw County Hazardous materials report forms. To date, 75% of these facilities have complied with March 1, reporting deadline. The remaining facilities are receiving a second mailing reminder this week.
- 446 facilities in Washtenaw County that store hazardous materials were inspected in 2009.
- 135 facilities have been inspected to date in 2010.
- The Washtenaw County Pollution Prevention database shows that 211 facilities will be required to submit Tier II forms in 2010. Thus far this year, the County has been receiving these forms steadily with well over 100 facilities having reported.
- 749 facilities have achieved reduced inspection frequency status for being in compliance with the Washtenaw County Pollution Prevention regulation. This represents 77% of the facilities that are required to be inspected.
- 36 facilities reported that they store 5,500 gallons of hazardous materials or greater.

C. Emergency Coordinator's Report (reported by M. Breckenridge)

- December 10, 2010, Hazmat spill at Kaiser Elementary. YCUA report, it was a wastewater leak. 150 gallons of sewage was coming out of a manhole located in driveway.
- December 13, 2010, methane pipeline rupture at DTE Natural Gas Pressure Station located at Michigan and Rawsonville, new facility. (V.Chevrette) 911 call by area neighbors reporting a large hissing sound but no odor. An engine was sent over to investigate and met with security guard. A 24" pipe coming into the plant that had a small plug that had blown off from corrosion. DTE was called and took over the situation and did proper notifications. There was 100 PSI coming out of a 1 inch orifice so pressure was strong.
- December 13, 2010 at 14 & I-94 was a diesel oil spill.

D. HazMat Team Director's Report (reported by V. Chevrette)

- Since December meeting, there were not incidents that the Hazmat Team responded to.
- Received new equipment from the 2007 allocation funding. 8 self contained breathing apparatuses, air pack, personal radiation monitors, laptops, Smith gas detection, Smith Saber detection instrument.
- Trainings conducted twice a month with quarterly drills. During the past 3 months, team members have attended various State trainings such as Suicide Bombing classes, Chemical and Biological Warfare agents and Homeland Security Training Center Hazmat training in Lansing. Attended SARA Tier III training at Ypsilanti Marriott in January.
- Annual Golf Fundraiser is due to come in late summer.
- Chevrette went to Utah to the Army's proving grounds for a week long course on chemical/biological warfare. The DHS wants to maintain funding for these training sites. (shared video)

E. Local Environment (reported by S. Robinson)

- None

VIII. New Business

- (Debra Phillips) Emergency Management Plan for Ann Arbor & Saline hospitals. Disasters are considered local so instituted an incident command alert so anyone can notify a singular place in the hospital, it's a 24 hour department and a page goes out to staff. In the past year, acquired HERC (Health Emergency Response Coalition) and sharing a lot of information and resources. Talking about hospitals preparedness within Washtenaw County and working with Public Health.
- Swearing in of Members

IX. Adjournment

J. Ichesco moved to adjourn at 4:08 p.m. J. Jurasek seconded and the motioned carried.