



Washtenaw County Local Emergency Planning Committee

Minutes

Thursday, March 10, 2011

MSU Extension Classroom, 705 N. Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, MI

3:00 p.m.

Members Present: Samantha Brandfon, Marc Breckenridge, Vic Chevrette, Donald Dettling, Pierre Gonyon, John Ichesco, Pat Ivey, Cindra James, Joseph Jurasek, Leon Moore, Daniel Onyskin, Scott Robinson, Kathryn Wilhoff, Scott Hummel & Commissioner Kristin Judge

Members Absent: Steven Arrieta, Rebecca Benedict, Pamela Byrnes, Ashley Cielinski, David R. Halteman, Michael Perry, Bryan Schultz & Lucy Teets

Staff Present: Kenneth Kelly & Stephanie Wolff

Guests Present: Gerald McNett

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:09 p.m. by D. Onyskin.

II. Introductions / Welcome City of Ann Arbor LEPC

All attendees introduced themselves.

III. Review and Approval of Agenda

M. Breckenridge moved to approve the agenda as amended. J. Jurasek seconded, and the motion carried.

IV. Review and Approval of the Minutes

D. Dettling moved to approve the minutes dated December 9, 2010. J. Ichesco seconded, and the motion carried.

V. Public Comment

None

VI. Announcements

(Breckenridge) Saturday, March 12th at 10:00 am at WISD, the first annual Skywarn Spotter Training will be open to all members of the public, 18 years of age and older and who are interested in learning about how to identify and report, and take protective action against severe weather. A minimum of 2 courses are conducted per year. There is 549 active Skywarn Spotters in Washtenaw County and that is a regional record. The training is 2 ½ hours long and free of charge and you will receive a Personal Identification Number for when reporting severe weather to 911 or EOC.

VII. Old Business

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

- As of March 8th, of the 54 facilities recognized by the State as EHS facilities, Emergency Management staff has updated information for 44 of those facilities.
- Kelly is still in contact with representatives from GM Willow Run concerning the closing of that facility. The remaining equipment was supposed to be removed no later than January 31st but they still have not signed off on the plant and the chemicals at the Wastewater Treatment Plant on that site.
- Emergency Management staff are presently preparing the 2011 Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grant Agreement paperwork and will be sending it to Lansing sometime next week. The amount of the grant will be approximately \$2,800.00
- Kelly requested an updated list of all the EHS facilities in the county and expects to have the list in the next few days. This list will help determine if any new EHS sites have appeared in the past year as well as any sites that have closed. New plans will be written for any new facility or facilities that now exceed the threshold planning quantity.

B. Information Coordinator's Report (reported by L. Moore)

- Over 90 facilities have submitted Tier II forms this year. The County hazardous material reporting has been coming in at a steady rate. The County began requiring facilities to update their chemical inventories if they have not done so within the last four years. Moore indicated that this is taking a considerable amount of time but will pay dividends for maintaining current information.
- A company called J-Tech moved into the old Ann Arbor Machine plant out in Chelsea. County staff has visited the site and a comprehensive inspection has been scheduled. It appears that the facility stores over 2,000 gallons of materials however Moore was unsure if they are going to be an EHS facility.
- A facility on Rawsonville Road that has a hazardous waste hauler and license and the facility is not in the county P2 program. Staff will be performing an inspection and getting them into environmental compliance.
- Staff has been in contact with Ingham County in regards to their Pollution Prevention Program. They have been doing inspections for years but don't have a fee mechanism to support the program. Staff shared the County regulation with them and have met with their health officer several times and they have designed a system similar to Washtenaw County which their Board of Commissioners heard on Tuesday night.

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

- No EHS facility releases were reported in the last quarter.
- On January 6th, CMS pipeline called and left a message that they had some gas discharge at water based freedom compressor station. Everyone was notified and it was all cleaned up.

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

- No incidents to report in this quarter.
- The team was placed on standby for a fire in Howell Automotive Plant last week.
- The team has been working on the SE Michigan Regional HazMat Project. This involves 6 counties in the City of Detroit. All the HazMat teams involved created Type I and Type II HazMat response team for large events. The team met yesterday for the second time and completed projects. These projects will be coming to an end and completed in May. The haz mat has talked about mutual aid agreements with other teams and cross training people as well. There are 35 team members for the HazMat team and the team has been training twice a month.

VIII. New Business

- Nominations for Chairperson and Vice Chairperson - Breckenridge moved to open the floor for nominations. Judge seconded. All were in favor and the motion was carried. Breckenridge moved to nominate Daniel Onyskin for the position of Chair. Robinson seconded. All were in favor and the motion was carried. Breckenridge closed the floor for nominations of Chair. Judge seconded. All were in favor and the motion was carried. Breckenridge moved to nominate Scott Robinson for the position of Vice Chair. Gonyon seconded. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

IX. Adjournment

- V. Chevrette moved to adjourn at 3:39 p.m. J. Ichesco seconded and the motion carried.

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