

ROCK COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

July 18, 2017 - Minutes

Call to Order: Chair Gary Schenck called the meeting of the Rock County Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 9:01 AM at the Emergency Operations Center in the Rock County Health Care Center.

Members Present: Chair Gary Schenck, Norvain Pleasant, Rick Wietersen, Lt. Ron Sagen, Sondra Klipp, Deputy Chief Jim Holford, Steve Benton, Erin Denker, David Botts, Sgt. Shena Kohler, Commander Troy Knudson, and Rick Richard.

Members Absent: Jay Gasser, Jason Rowland, Robert Swenarski, Todd Lambert, and Battalion Chief Scott Running.

Guests: Jason Hill – United Alloy, Catherine Kolb – Shine Medical Technologies and Patti Miller – Beloit Water Utilities.

Adoption of Agenda: Motion by Lt. Ron Sagen and seconded by Steve Benton to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Rick Richard and seconded by Lt. Ron Sagen to approve the minutes from May 16, 2017. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Plan of Review – The Plan of Review Committee met and reviewed the 4 plan updates and one removal. Chair Schenck suggested the plans be moved on to the state. Lt. Ron Sagen made a motion that the plans be moved to the state and Norvain Pleasant seconded. Motion carried.

Community Right-to-Know – Lt. Ron Sagen stated that there was nothing new to report. Lt. Ron Sagen stated that he no longer wanted to chair the Coordinator in Information committee.

Plan of Work – The Plan of Work Committee did not meet. Sgt. Kohler stated that work had begun on the 2nd half plan of work. Other things that Emergency Management has been working on an environmental study for siren replacement in the village of Clinton, as well as an exercise design and translating all of the Emergency Management press releases into Spanish.

Membership – The Membership Committee did not meet. Jay Gasser was not in attendance. Members voted on the membership vacancies and upcoming expiring memberships. Motion was made by Norvain Pleasant to elect all of the following members, Lt. Ron Sagen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Jason Rowland, Lt. Brad Altman, Chair Gary Schenck, Robert Swenarski, Patti Miller, Catherin Kolb and Bob Wildermuth were all voted in as continuing or new members. Lt. Ron Sagen made a motion to re-elect Gary Schenck as Chair of the LEPC, seconded by Steve Benton. Motion carried. Erin Denker is interested in taking over the Coordinator of Information position. Jason Hill was interested in serving on the Community-right-to-know committee, as a non-member. Sgt. Kohler will look into that and send an e-mail to Jason letting him know. Lt. Ron Sagen volunteered to join the Plan of Review Committee. Patti Miller volunteered to join the Plan of Work committee.

Budget – The budget was distributed but there were no questions.

Spill Report – Spill reports were reviewed and discussed.

Training – If anyone has any training needs, please contact Sgt. Kohler, so that she can apply to the state. Also, anyone who need Web EOC training, please contact the Sgt. Kohler or Beth Kline.

Public Health – Rick Wieterson stated that levels of E. Coli are higher than usual in water sources due to the high amounts of recent rain and general run-off.

Hazmat Team – Lt. Ron Sagen reported that the Hazmat Team is getting their new radiation detection meters through the hazmat grant. There will be a meter training September 6th-8th.

Facility Input – Erin Denker stated that Evonik (Janesville) went over their emergency shelters with Sgt. Kohler at their facility.

Public Input – None at this time.

Old Business – No sub-committee's have been formed to tackle the issues of drug identification and response.

New Business – Sgt. Kohler spoke about planning an exercise for an EOC activation. There is an exercise planned for September 12th.

Next Meeting: The next LEPC meeting will be held September 19, 2017 at Rock County Health Care Center EOC.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Sgt. Shena Kohler and seconded by Steve Benton to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 10:02 am.

Respectfully submitted:

Beth Kline

Materials distributed at this meeting were:

1. 2017 Budget
2. Spill Report