# PICKAWAY COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

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Capt. Jon Rhoades – Chairperson Tom Swisher – Vice Chairperson Mike Sherron – Information/Emergency Coordinator

Guests/Staff:

County Commissioners
Jay Wippel
Harold Henson
Gary Scherer

# Meeting Minutes Thursday, July 13, 2023 – 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Pickaway County Emergency Operations Center (160 Island Road, Circleville, OH 43113)

# **Topic**

1.	Call meeting to order: Introduction of guests and members					
	Members:					
		Chad Noggle		Brian Thompson		Casey Pringle
		Neil Cline		Scott Cavanaugh		James White
		Matthew Hafey		Bill Cunningham		Matt Church
		Shawn Baer		Steven Collins		Jon Rhoades
		Harold Henson		Kristin McCloud		David Bradley
		Gary Cameron		Marie Wilbanks		Michael Antle
		Tom Swisher		Wayne Congrove		James Brown, Jr.
		Michael Sherron		J.C. Grubb		
		Jerry McGaha				

#### 2. Review and approval of past meeting minutes

Minutes on the table for review from the April 2023 meeting.

Motion for approval: Tom Swisher

Second: Jimmy Brown

Discussion: None – All in favor, no objections.

#### 3. Approval of the LEPC financial report

Balance \$32,670.29

No expenditures from the fund since the last meeting. Still planning a purchase of the FlowStop products and the public education materials.

Motion for approval: Swisher

Second: Collins

Discussion: None – All in favor, no objections.

#### 4. **Old Business**

## LEPC Exercises – Plan for 2022-2024 Exercise Cycle

We have these objectives still to exercise in our four-year cycle:

#4: Emergency Operations Center

#11: Shelter Management

#12: Emergency Medical Services

#13: Medical facilities

Pickaway Township Fire Department is interested in having an exercise to practice triage for a mass casualty incident. We could use this to practice decontamination also. Need a host facility (PPG? Sofidel? DuPont? GP?) to help with the exercise. This could lend itself well to a functional exercise and could be done in conjunction with Adena Regional Medical Center and OhioHealth Berger Hospital.

Logan Keeton, Jimmy Brown, Ken McCoy, Matt Hafey, Spencer Bennett, Mike Sherron

## HazMat training

Hazardous Materials Operations Level training was canceled for June 10 at Pickaway Township Fire Department. Harrison Township will be hosting a class on October 2, 3, and 4 to accommodate personnel on a unit-day schedule.

These are regional delivery courses from the Ohio Fire Academy and will be

offered to fire, EMS, and LE personnel from any agency in the County at no cost.

## 5. New Business

# Tier II Reporting Facilities / Compliance Inspections / Pre-Incident Planning

- ✓ Completed compliance visit to Roese Brothers Paving. They will be submitting their chemical inventory in the coming weeks.
- ✓ Reached out bulk propane facilities to engage in pre-incident planning. Still working to get this effort underway.

# Spill Responses

- ✓ May 8<sup>th</sup>, diesel fuel spill from truck crash, US 23 at Sperry Drive.
- ✓ May 8<sup>th</sup>, diesel fuel spill from truck crash, US 23 at SR 762.
- ✓ June 8<sup>th</sup>, small diesel fuel spill from a truck crash at the intersection of Badger Road and Mouser Road.

# Harrison Twp FD – Decon Trailer Funding

Lt. Jordan Hempker - Harrison Twp Fire Department has accepted the decon mission for Pickaway County. They recently reviewed the trailer and have identified the need for:

- SCBA bottles \$1,500 a piece X 6
- Lettering for exterior of trailer
- Tires will need replaced
- Stools
- Propane tank for water heater

Motion: To authorize up to \$12,000 for purchase of equipment listed above for the hazmat decon trailer. Included additional money for fit-testing on the SCBA masks on the trailer.

Motion for approval: Hafey

Second: Swisher

Discussion: Fire Safety Services has an option for recertifying the bottles.

All in favor, no opposition.

# Cost Recovery

No new incidents have been submitted for cost recovery.

# Red Cross Updates

John Eckleberry

Smoke alarm give aways 844-207-4509 free service

- Clinton Co EMA MGT-346 Aug 1 and 2
- Fairfield Co EMA ICS-400 Aug 30-31

#### Public Outreach and Education

Mike researched shelter-in-place / evacuation materials. There are not many options. Received handouts developed by the Corpus Christi, TX, LEPC. We need to develop our own materials. Who would like to help?

Note: April 2023 meeting approved \$1,000 to help pay for these materials.

Discussion: Hafey – Reach out to the art teachers at the schools for a competition to design a publication. Include digital arts classes at the vocational schools.

## Orion Software

There is some confusion about what this software is capable of doing when it comes to hazmat preplanning. Mike Sherron has a call scheduled with the company to work through these issues.

# Everbridge Mass Notification

Swisher advised that Nixle is being discontinued and replaced with Everbridge's Mass Notification System. The County Commissioners have purchased this updated solution that will enable IPAWS alerting, social media accounts, and email. The new system will be powered by public records research to gather contact information for people in Pickaway County.

# Bylaws and Membership List

Need to develop a group to review these and recommend changes for our next meeting. Taking volunteers...

Email bylaws and proposed changes.

# PUCO HazMat Training

Aaron Lockhart – HazMat Specialist. Overview of PUCO's role in a hazardous materials incident. Ohio is now the only state, via PUCO, authorized to perform Federal Shipper Reviews. Radiation Specialists available to respond.

## Round Table Discussion

Introduced Ken Mettler, Ohio EPA, Manager Special Investigations. Available for law enforcement consultations on potential environmental crimes. Provided an overview of the program and contact information.

# 6. Meeting Adjournment

Motion: Swisher Second: Collins

7. Next meeting date: 09:00, Thursday, October 12, 2023, at the EOC (160 Island Road).