



PICKAWAY COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE
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Agenda

Thursday, January 11, 2024 – 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 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:

X Spencer Bennett	☐ Brian Thompson	X Matthew Hafey
X Ken McCoy	X Harold Henson	X Michael Sherron
X Sierra Miller	X Steve Sabine	☐ Mackenzie Kaminski
☐ Andrew Bull	X Scott Rice	☐ Steve Smith
☐ Steven Collins	☐ Kristin McCloud	☐ Marie Wilbanks
X Wayne Congrove	☐ Tiffany Deitch	X James A. Brown, Jr.
X Shad Caplinger	X Greg Myers	X Chad Scott
☐ Tom Kitchen	☐ Matt Church	☐ Trevor Sickels
☐ Kyle Miller	X Ken Mettler	X Phil Relli
☐ Logan Keeton	☐ Lynn Ohara-Harris	X Matthew Fields

Guests/Staff:

Lt. Jordan Hempker	Harrison Township Fire Department
Marques Evans	ODOT – Circleville
Chris Williams	Ohio EMA
Melanie Swisher	Paint Valley ADAMH

2. Review and approval of past meeting minutes

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

Motion for approval: Sabine

Second: Sheriff

Discussion: Approved

3. Approval of the LEPC financial report

Balance \$27,141.95

All expenses for the HazMat Technical Decon Trailer have been accounted for except the tires (~\$500) – still researching whether an invoice has been received.

Motion for approval: Sherron

Second: Sheriff

Discussion: Direct billing from the tire shop. Still looking for the invoice.

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

The exercise design team has been meeting and has developed a scenario involving a chemical exposure to multiple victims at the DuPont facility. DuPont is allowing the conduct of this exercise and will be providing the space and assistance with the scenario. The date for the exercise is Saturday, April 20, 2024, from 08:00 to 12:00.

Working to identify a staging location for players (Amvets and the Pickaway Senior Center are options being explored) and for hotwash and lunch.

Motion for up to \$2,500 to purchase supplies and food for this exercise.

Motion by: Sherron

Second: McCoy

Discussion: Box 65 offered to cook for the event if we can fund the food. Amvets and the DuPont Clubhouse are additional considerations.

- **HazMat Training**

An email has been sent to all of the law enforcement and fire chiefs in the county to determine what training classes they would like to hold in 2024.

Through the University of Findlay, we have arranged for a Railcar Emergencies Class for March 9. The sponsoring organizations are responsible for facility fees and ancillary costs.

Motion for up to \$1,500 to purchase supplies and food for this class.

Motion by: Sherron

Second: Sabine

Discussion: Curriculum and instructor bios for OPOTA certification of the class for CPT. Mike will work with Sheriff and Chief McCoy to get CPT packet together. Box 65 will assist with food. Send out to the public safety chiefs and sign up sheet. City BBQ and Roosters have been willing to support in the past.

5. New Business

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

- ✓ Tier II reports are due by March 1.
- ✓ E.G. Industries will be educated on past reporting.
- ✓ Conducted Noxious Weed Control inspection – below reporting thresholds.

- **Spill Responses**

- ✓ October 31 – Passenger Car Crash into Creek on US-23, gasoline and other fluids released.
- ✓ December 12 – Diesel fuel release from punctured fuel tank on semi.
- ✓ December 30 – Unknown petroleum released in Southern Pointe neighborhood causing sheen on pond.

- **Restock of Hydrocarbon Spill Control Equipment**

We have used several booms in 2023 responding to incidents involving oil on water. We need to replenish the stock of booms and pads, add anchors and rope, floor dry and buckets to the cache of equipment.

Motion: Expend up to \$2,500 for hydrocarbon response equipment and supplies.

Motion for approval: Sherron

Second: Bennett

Discussion: Motion carried.

- **Resolution in Support of LEPC Grant**

Annually we have to apply for LEPC Grant funds to support operations, exercises,

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and training. This year's request is for \$21,000. Need an affirmative majority for Resolution 2024-01 to submit the application to SERC.

Motion for approval: Sabine

Second: Myers

Discussion: Motion carried. No opposition.,

- **Lithium-Ion Battery Response Training**

With electric vehicles and many other devices (scooters, bikes, vap pens, cell phones, etc.) using lithium-ion batteries, it is important to train first responders, towing companies, and waste disposal facilities to manage incidents involving these hazardous materials. Bad Day Training and Consulting has developed an excellent four-hour course covering this topic. They can bring the course to Pickaway County and run two sessions in one day for \$5,200. If additional training is needed, we can apply for PUCO HazMat Grant funding.

Motion: \$10,400 to bring four sessions of this class to Pickaway County for FD, EMS, LE, waste management, and towing/recovery partners.

Motion for approval: Sherron

Second: Caplinger

Discussion: Hempker and Miller have both had training from this vendor with good experiences. Bennett suggested exploring additional funding for this type training. Solar farm training conversation is happening on Friday, January 12 with Dominion. Motion carried. No opposition.

- **Cost Recovery**

No new incidents have been submitted for cost recovery.

- **Red Cross Updates**

None.

- **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.

No updates on this project.

- **Orion Software**

Mike met with the software company and it was determined that the software

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could not do what was originally promised. They are working to correct that. More details to come.

EMA continues to work with the company on this project.

- **Bylaws and Membership List**

Need volunteers to assist with this project.

- Will send out current bylaws.

- **Chemical Facility Security Training (USDHS)**

Greg Kaps from U.S. Department of Homeland Security is here to discuss chemical facility security – ChemLock program.

- **Round Table Discussion**

- EMA – Solar Eclipse, April 8
- Harrison Twp FD – discussion about their two new Rae Systems Meters for LEL/O₂/H₂S/VOC. These are the same meters used by Jackson Twp FD and Columbus HazMat 4.
- ODOT- Scott Rice introduced Marques Evans
- Harrison – Sabine – all equipment previously approved for the technical decon trailer has been acquired and placed in-service.

6. Meeting Adjournment

Motion: Hafey

Second: Sabine

7. Next meeting date: 09:00, Thursday, April 11, 2024, at the EOC (160 Island Road).