

PICKAWAY COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 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
X Gary Cameron	☐ Marie Wilbanks	X Michael Antle
X Tom Swisher	☐ Wayne Congrove	X James Brown, Jr.
X Michael Sherron	X J.C. Grubb	
☐ Jerry McGaha		

Guests/Staff:

Matt Church	ODRC
Stephanie Bowman	Pickaway County Public Health
Tim Colburn	Pickaway County Public Health
Shad Caplinger	OSHP
Mark Adkins	Sofidel / Box 65
Trevor Sickels	Sofidel
Brandon Clark	ODRC
Dustin Bennett	ODRC
Ken McCoy	South Bloomfield Police
Sierra Miller	OhioHealth Berger Hospital
Dan Endrizzi	Ohio EMA

2. Review and approval of past meeting minutes

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

Motion for approval: James Brown

Second: Mark Adkins

Discussion: No corrections or updates.

3. Approval of the LEPC financial report

Balance \$36,045.29

No expenditures from the fund since the last meeting.

Motion for approval: Tim Colburn

Second: James Brown

Discussion:

4. Old Business

- **COVID-19 / Monkey Pox Update**

Monkey Pox is no longer prevalent, slowing down. Monkey Pox has good therapeutics for treating the illness. COVID is now a Class B pandemic. Positive tests should continue to follow the isolation procedures as we have been.

Sierra Miller, OhioHealth – Masks for asymptomatic patients and visitors are no longer required. Certain care units of the hospital will continue with respiratory protection.

If you're sick, stay home!

- **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.

May 2 – PCSO 911 will be moved to the EOC to facilitate an electrical upgrade.

Since there is no hazmat component, that event cannot be counted toward these requirements. A fentanyl release / exposure in the prison cannot be the sole threat to drive the exercise for credit in this program. Mass decon could be a component and EMS mass triage.

- **HazMat training**

Hazardous Materials Operations Level training has been scheduled 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.

At the March 2023 Fire Chiefs meeting there was a desire to have personnel trained to the Hazardous Materials Technician level and an email was sent to all of the fire chiefs with a survey link to gauge interest in this training.

Mike is developing a course on responding to small petroleum releases and will be delivering the program to Pickaway Township and any other department that would like to have it. Mike is requesting funding for additional FlowStop Footballs and Golf Balls to use during the training.

Motion: A motion to authorize the expenditure of not more than \$1,500 for a FlowStop Master Kit for use in training by James Brown.

Second: Mark Adkins

Discussion: No opposed.

5. **New Business**

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

- ✓ We have received 50 reports for the 2022 Reporting Year. Mike has been working through them to make sure we have received all of the ones we did from the facilities in 2021.
- ✓ Our email security flagged some of the reports so we are working to resolve / recover the files. We have 20ish oil well facilities that will need to be entered.
- ✓ Three facilities that previously reported no longer have chemicals that meet the threshold planning quantities and therefore did not report.

- **County HazMat Plan – Training Plan Amendment**

During the LEPC grant application development it was discussed that we did not have standing language to support hazmat technician level training should the County's fire chiefs determine that it is desired. The language now reads:

"Funding for training, including technician level if the County's fire chiefs determine this level of response is needed, may be available through the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's Hazardous Materials Training Grant program or the

LEPC.”

Discussion: Requirements to meet the training goals before LEPC money can be used for equipment or other non-training purposes. Consensus achieved.

- **Spill Responses**

No incidents since the January meeting.

- **Cost Recovery**

No new incidents have been submitted for cost recovery.

- **Red Cross Updates**

Not present.

- **Public Outreach and Education**

Still looking for help with the chemical preparedness messaging. Please let Mike Sherron know if you're able to help. It would be great to be able to put something together for the Pickaway County Fair in June.

Motion: A motion to authorize the expenditure of not more than \$250 for public education materials for Fair by Mark Adkins.

Second: Shad Caplinger

Discussion: \$250 may not be enough to cover this expense. Amended motion to be not to exceed \$1000. As long as hazardous materials are discussed, these brochures may include other disaster preparedness. PCPH indicated their interest in

No opposition. Motion approved at \$1,000.

- **Orion Software**

Gary Cameron: EMA request for funding of software that can be used in part for pre-incident planning at facilities with chemicals in storage.

Motion: A motion to authorize the expenditure of not more than \$3,375 per year for 2023, 2024, and 2025. This is 50% of the cost of the software by Tim Colburn.

Second: Mark Adkins.

Discussion: This software product is being utilized in other counties in Ohio. This software is a hosted solution that will allow for more complete tracking of disaster damage and other impacts. This also for better situational awareness during a disaster for FEMA declarations. This software can be used to track damage and equipment for cost recovery during a hazmat incident. This software also allows us to track chemical facilities and their inventories and develop pre-plans for these facilities. Once purchased, it can have multiple users, including the 911 centers

and villages. No opposition.

- **Radiological Dispersion Exercise**

J.C. Grubb from Pickaway Public Health is coordinating an exercise required by the Ohio Department of Health to test capabilities for response to a radiological incident. This exercise took place during the last week of March. After-action review is being developed.

- **Round Table Discussion**

Dan Endrizzi: Crosswalk for hazmat plan review is being reworked. The USDOT ERG will be published again in the future. The app is available and allows for real-time plume mapping.

Coffee Talks – video calls on various topics are upcoming. Be on the lookout for these.

Membership is updated in August. Good time to review bylaws including quorum and voting rules.

6. Meeting Adjournment

Motion: Mark Adkins

Second: James Brown

7. Next meeting date: 09:00, Thursday, July 13, 2023, at the EOC (160 Island Road).