

**ALLEN COUNTY
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE
(LEPC)**

Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2009

Meeting #7

Members present: Kent Zimmerly, Dieter Wireman, Ted Brookman, Jon Solomon, Jim Everett, Joe Martz, Joseph Kitchen, Rick Skilliter, Debbie Foos, Trevor Violet, Chad Ulm, Thomas Mazur, Jim Michael, Patrick Miller, W. D. Litsey, Jeff Ramey, Carol Bertrand, Dave Collins, Russ Decker and Clint Rolland.

Members absent: Bob Hutchinson, Tim Haniford, Jed E. Metzger, Kevin Bruin, Steve Carr, David Dungan, Steve Faul, Mark Heffner, Bill Kelly, and Dan Protsman.

Guests attending: Mike Gerber with Ohio EPA, Pam Gibson with Ohio EMA, Beth Seibert with Allen SWCD-ORC, Paul Logsdon and Gary Vonderembse with Husky Lima Refinery, Gene Davis and Scott Fessler with Allen County EMA, Roger Fessler with American Red Cross and the news media.

Chairman Rolland called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. at the Red Cross Chapter House and declared that a quorum was present.

The minutes of the October 15, 2009 meeting were discussed. A motion was made by Rick Skilliter to accept the minutes as mailed, seconded by Doug Litsey. Motion passed.

The financial report for the period from October 1, 2009 through November 30, 2009 was discussed. A motion by Joe Martz to accept the financial report as mailed, seconded by Carol Bertrand. Motion passed.

Doug Litsey briefed the Committee on a recent release of oil from the Husky Lima Refinery and the resulting clean-up efforts.

Russ Decker informed the Committee that the 2010 LEPC drill for Allen County will be held on March 18, 2010 as part of a sixteen county, statewide exercise. An Exercise Committee of Clint Rolland, Jim Michaels, Jeff Ramey, Ted Brookman and Russ Decker will meet to develop local objectives and scenarios; this committee will report back to the full LEPC at the February meeting.

Chairman Rolland presented the proposed changes to the current By-Laws, there are five changes/updates proposed by members. Joseph Kitchen moved to accept all proposed changes, seconded by Ted Brookman. Motion passed. Updated By-Laws will be available for all members at the February meeting.

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Under the Emergency Coordinator's Report, Russ Decker reported on 77 calls for service since the last meeting, 20 of which involved hazardous materials. Russ also announces that an intern student from Ohio Northern University will be working with his office in early 2010 to update the transportation commodity study.

In New Business: Rick Skilliter made a motion to extend the LEPC's contract with Gene Davis for professional services in 2010 at a cost of \$250 per month, for a total of \$3,000.00. Thomas Mazur seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Under Committee Reports: Training Committee Chair, Joseph Kitchen offered two requests for training funds. The first from Bath Township Fire Department for HAZMAT Technician level training in January 2010. Rick Skilliter made a motion to fund such training at an amount not to exceed \$2,570.00, seconded by Jeff Ramey. Motion passed.

The second request came from Allen County EMA for funding of propane fuel to be used in training at the BGSU Spring Fire School. This training on response to propane emergencies is available at no cost to any firefighter in the area. Doug Litsey made a motion to fund such training at an amount not to exceed \$1,700.00, seconded by Ted Brookman. Motion passed.

Being no further business to come before the Committee; Jeff Ramey moved to adjourn, seconded by Doug Litsey. The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

RUSSELL J. DECKER
Acting Secretary