

**ALLEN COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE
(LEPC)**

Meeting Minutes: August 17, 2023

Members present: Cody Doyle, Clint Rolland, Steve Harvey, Catherine Reed, Paul Way, Michael Hensley, Dave Woodward, Travis Fillhart, Brian Radar, Jon Walters, Bernie Nanna, Tina Hentrich, Craig Hohenbrink, Todd Mohler, Eric Phillips, Gene Smith, Tom Berger, Shelly Gearing

Members absent: Andy Heffner, Scott Floyd, Neil Goodwin, Jed Metzger, Kevin Cox, Kevin Bruin, Jeff Goop, Rick Sanchez, Rick Skilliter, Paul Swartz, RJ Maier, Todd Truesdale.

Guests Attending: Jared Gesler Allen EMA, Anita Stechschulte OEMA,

Chairman Craig Hohenbrink called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and declared that a quorum was present.

Gene Smith motioned and Steve Harvey seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the April meeting with no changes. Motion Passed

Tom Berger reviewed the financial report. Catherine Reed moved Michael Hensley seconded a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Motion Passed.

1. **SERC Report** – Anita Stechschulte informed the group of that lithium ion battery training is available through the grant process. LEPC conference is October 26th and Hazmat plan reviews are due by October 20th.

Information/Emergency Coordinator's Report-

Tom Berger informed the group that the Hazmat plan was reviewed and a “no change” would be appropriate.

Steve Harvey made a motion to submit a “No Change” to the SERC for the yearly Hazmat plan review. John Walters seconded. Motion passed.

Tom Berger informed the group that the new Hazmat Truck arrived and will be in service in the coming weeks.

Tom also informed the group that LEPC Grant funds should be arriving within the next couple of weeks.

Tom Berger informed the group that F500 foam training had been completed.

Tom Berger informed the group of vacant committee positions.

Todd Mohler nominated Travis Fillhart for the Risk and Hazards Committee. Seconded by Steve Harvey. Motion Passed.

Catherine Reed nominated Cody Doyle for the Transportation Committee. Travis Fillhart seconded. Motion Passed.

Committee Reports:

- Public Health – Shelly reviewed the Public Health full-scale exercise with activation of their POD plans.
- Evacuee Sheltering ARC- Catherine Reed stated that they had seen a reduction in request of sheltering for victims of fires. Catherine is not sure why this reduction has taken place.

For the good of the order:

Steve Harvey moved Gene Smith seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried.

Minutes by: Tom Berger