

LEPC MINUTES for October 30, 2024

LEPC Mission: Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC's) work together with all emergency response agencies to understand chemical hazards in the community, develop emergency plans in case of an accidental release, and look for ways to prevent chemical accidents.

Meeting called to order: by LEPC Chairman Don Steveson

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

- Motion: Scott Beachler
- Second: Derek Thompson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes for August 28, 2024.

- Additions/Corrections:
- Motion: Scott Beechler Second: Derek Thompson

NEW BUSINESS:

1. New antenna and equipment installed at the firehall. What do we need to plan for also if main dispatch is not available to be occupied. Can the firehall base station be used for a backup dispatch? What else will be needed to make this a backup dispatch?
 - 1) Still in the process setting up console in Upton for a backup. Waiting to see how this will be completed with the changes with the Upton Police Department. Waiting on the Upton appointment to the Joint Powers Board. Would not have the CAD system and would be easier than the NVFD location. Would need to look at what it would take to get the 911 system to Upton or NVFD. Derek would ask Kenney Hodge and Brian Moore to come to the meeting to discuss possible plans.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discussion with the group on EPA is wanting notification from the Refinery during a release to notify someone other than me (Don Steveson) as the LEPC Chairman and have suggested dispatch. Derek Thompson NPD Chief also mentioned why not dispatch as they would not know what to ask or what to do with the information. It was discussed that I was the best to transfer the information once received from the refinery as I would have the most knowledge of what needed to be done and know the particulars pertaining to the incident. Can discuss more at the next meeting as we have discussed in the past several meetings and all has agreed that the notifications should stay with the LEPC chairman.

TRAINING:

1. Training options sent throughout the month.
 - a. AIR Human Trafficking & Exploitation Training at the Newcastle Fire Hall November 7th and 8th from 8 am to 5 pm.

Next LEPC Meeting Scheduled for November 27th, 2024. Discussion on whether we would like to try and hold the meetings at noon instead of 7:00 pm as this may help with other members attending the meetings. Will discuss more at the next meeting that will be at 12:00 pm at the fire hall for future meetings.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:45 P.M.

Motion: Derek Thompson

Second: Scott Beechler

Motion Carried

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