

LEPC MINUTES for November 27, 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: 12:03 PM by LEPC Chairman Don Steveson

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

- Motion: Gilbert Nelson
 - Second: Scott Beachler
- Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes for October 30, 2024.

- Additions/Corrections:
- Motion: Derek Thompson Second: Scott Beachler Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Proposal of afternoon meetings from 7:00 pm to 12:00 pm.
 - 1) Discussion on moving the meeting to noon could get more agencies involved. Derek and Gilbert said they would look at their training budgets to possibly assist with lunches now and then as needed.

2. EPA 3rd Quarter Emergency Preparedness Newsletter.
 - 1) Discussed what was in the newsletter.

3. Use of Wyo Link on city calls.
 - 1) Discussion on the use of Wyo Link so all agencies can be informed on calls. There is some issues with the fire department and the paging capability and would need to investigate the possibility of all being on the Wyo Link network.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Back up Dispatch location.
 - a. Mark Lyndstrom was working on this project. Brian with RT Communications mentioned that the 911 calls can be transferred through Luman. "NINA" the paging system is Analog and will not cross over to Wyo Link.

2. Additional discussions on EPA's looking to contact other agencies or personnel other than the LEPC chairman on release events with the Refinery. We have had a couple of discussion on this topic and all that have been in attendance have disagreed with what EPA is proposing for Wyoming Refining Reporting per the Facility Response Plans, Risk Management Plans.

- a. Will develop a letter to send to Wyoming Refining and EPA that addresses the concern of the LEPC committee and to let them know the committee agrees that the LEPC chairman should be notified and not another agency such as the dispatch or other suggested by EPA.

TRAINING:

1. Training options sent throughout the month.
 - a. SHSP Grant will be coming out soon for award
 - b. Working with the hospital on training. Will have Decon training in January for the 16 hour class and for nine personnel.
 - c. Airport review and operations as there has been two calls in 2024. They store about 4,000 to 6,000 gallon of aviation fuel and Jet fuel.

Next LEPC Meeting Scheduled for December 25th, 2024. Look to move as this is Christmas day. The committee decided to hold the next meeting January 29, 2025

ADJOURNMENT: _____ 1:00 _____ P.M.

Motion: Gilbert Nelson

Second: Chris Kenney

Motion Carried

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