

Broome County
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
LEPC MEETING Minutes
4/18/2019

- Attendance: Pamela Rexer, Garrick Henry, Kate Kamp, Bill Miller, Peter Zelno, Sonja Bennett, Tom McCartney, Michael Ponticciello, Tom Edwards, Michael Bender, Michael Heide, Andrew Eggleston, Wayne Schneider, Ray Serowik.
 - Start of meeting 13:00
 - Introduction of guests/new members Mike Heidi New Deputy Fire Coordinator
 - Approval of minutes 4/18/19 Motion Mike, second Bill Miller
 - Correspondence /Announcements
 - a) **Training Notices:** <http://www.dhses.ny.gov/training/>
 - **L-146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP)** April 30- May 1, 2019 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. State Preparedness Training Center Oriskany
 - **MGT-417 Crisis Management for School Based Incidents for Key Decision Makers:** May 8-9, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., State Preparedness Training Center Oriskany
 - **L-965 Resource Unit Leader:** July 9-12, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. State Preparedness Training Center Oriskany
 - **L-958 Operations Section Chief:** September 24-27, 2019 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. State Preparedness Training Center Oriskany
- Broome County:**
- **I-300** Refresher April 24th Wayne Street Classroom
 - **I-400** June 12th-13th Wayne Street Classroom
 - **G-364** (School Safety Planning) July 9-11 PSF Upstairs Classrooms 1 &2
 - **I-300** October 21-23 PSF Upstairs Classroom #?
 - **5/9/2019** Pipeline Training
 - **I-300** 6/10/2019 Lisle Fire
 - **Disaster Mental Health** Friday June 7th SUNY New Paltz
- b) **Tier 2 Reports submitted:**
 - a. Maines - Hard copies of ePlan submittals
 - b. Deadline for submittals (either ePlan or mailed) was March 1, 2019
 - c. SUNY Broome up to date with filings

Old Business

1) **Committee Updates:**

- a) **Public Safety** – Need to get new Chairperson (still working on finding a new chairperson)

Coordinate RMP requirements below

- b) **Health, Human and Animal Needs** – Ray Serowik
Lourdes exercise conducted yesterday 4/17/2019. Conducted by Lourdes Hospital. Worked with County, State and local partners including school districts, Red Cross, and Dialysis. Simulated bus roll over. Surged ED, Hospital EOC set up.
Red Cross conducted exercise of opening shelters 3 at one time.
Discussion on housing including safety issues. Sonja states there is a shortage on safe, sober housing. Shelters are currently full.
STIC brought forth a concern regarding ensuring that emergency communication is accessible for everyone. Especially those that are hearing impaired. There is a need to have an interpreter at press conferences.
3/14/2019 Stop the Bleed training at Deposit school district. Over 100 people trained.
BCART had a leadership reduction. One of the leaders stepped down.
Next Health and Human services subcommittee is 5/23/2019

2) **Drills and Training**

- 2019 Schedule
 - Lourdes hospital exercise, mass casualty pediatric, school bus incident conducted 4/17/19.

- McCartney - Citgo tank farm exercise Vestal, another exercise will occur in 3 years.
- Next full scale airport drill in 2021
- SUNY Broome annual exercise 5/3/2019 at 2:00pm

3) EPA Risk Management Plan (RMP) Update:

- Owners and operators are required to coordinate with local responders to establish an exercise frequency for Tabletop Exercises (at least every 3 years) and Field exercises (at least every 10 years to test their emergency response programs)
- ***Increased public availability of chemical hazard information, including a requirement that certain chemical hazard information to be made available to the public, upon request***
- ***LEPC/Emergency Services needs to determine a plan to coordinate with RMP facilities. This can be an opportunity for the teams to learn and exercise different HazMat scenarios.***
- Federal Dept. of Homeland Security also wants to see drills regarding their Chemicals of Interest and in particular, those on their theft and diversion list.

ePlan shows the following companies for RMP's:

- Amrex
- Maines Food

The following is (after reviewing the 2018 submitted plans) that met the threshold for a RMP Chemical: (Propane TPQ is 10,000 lbs.)

- Mirabito Energy Products - Castle Creek - Propane
- Frito-Lay - Propane
- i3 Electronics - Hydrochloric Acid (*only if this is 37% or higher*)
- Superior Plus Energy - Warner's, Conklin Rd. - Propane
- Superior Plus Energy - Warner's, Gates Rd. - Propane
- Rapp Petroleum - Propane

DEC is assisting with pre-plans with railways across the state. Broome has a pre-plan in place. DEC is going to take over the maintenance cost for maintaining plans. There is a meeting set up between Broome County and DEC.

New Business

- 5) PHMSA's new oil spill planning and information sharing requirements for railroads
 - a) The new requirements take effect on April 1, 2019.
 - b) On Feb.14 2019, US DOT announced a forthcoming Final Rule to require railroads to develop and submit Comprehensive Oil Spill Response Plans (COSRPs) for routes traveled by High Hazard Flammable Trains (HHFTs).
 - c) **An HHFT is:**
 - A train with 20 or more cars in a continuous block loaded with a Class 3 flammable materials; or
 - with more than 35 cars across the entire train loaded with a Class 3 flammable materials
 - d) Rail carries that transport HHFTs must notify local emergency responders with the following information:
 - A reasonable estimate of the number of HHFTs expected to travel through each county in the state per week, and on what routes
 - A description of the materials being shipped
 - A point of contact at the railroad; and
 - Notify local agencies if volume changes more than 25%.

Topics/Presentations for future meeting

- Stagecoach Gas Services

- **June** Meeting: Federal Department of Homeland Security Inspector James Phalin - “Hometown Security” program as well as the Chemical Facility Safety Program
- Leon Skinner from the US Army Corps Emergency Management program can present at the **August** LEPC meeting.
- Williams is also open to presenting at LEPC in October. Possibly with Stagecoach.

Motion to adjourn Garrick Henry, second Michael Ponticiello at 13:28.

Next Meeting June 20, 2019 at Public Safety Facility

Committee Meetings May 23, 2019 (or alternate date as scheduled by committee chairs)