



**Berks County LEPC**  
Local Emergency Planning Committee  
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**MEETING AGENDA**

December 9, 2019

12:00pm

Berks County Department of Emergency Services  
Direct Link Technology Center

- Welcome & Introductions
- Review of the September 2019 Minutes
- Correspondence
- EHS Facility Plan Review / Tier II Updates
- Hazmat Team Report
- Old Business
- New Business
  - Committee Reports
    - Right to Know
    - Public Education and Information
    - Hazardous Materials Facilities Liaison
    - Emergency Response and Resources
    - Membership
- Good & Welfare
- Adjournment

**The next meeting of the Berks County LEPC will be held on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 3:00pm at the Berks County Department of Emergency Services, 2561 Bernville Rd., Reading, PA.**



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## Berks County Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting Minutes December 9<sup>th</sup> 2019

### MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Ben Ross	Megan Young-Kraft	Donnie Swope	Gary Moulder	Lyn O'Hare
George Dula*	Dave Levengood*	Stephen Young	Robert May	John Shook
Rodney Good	Kevin Docherty	Chuck Zechman	Terry Sturgis	

\*Indicates participated by phone.

### GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Harry Adams			

### Welcome & Introductions

Vice Chairperson Lyn O'Hare called the meeting to order at 12:25P.M. at the Berks County Department of Emergency Services, Direct Link Technology Center, Multi-Purpose Room, Reading PA. Call-in provision was made available.

Lyn welcomed members and guests and asked that each individual introduce themselves.

### Minutes from the September 2019 Meeting

Minutes had been distributed by email for review prior to the meeting, and paper copies made available at the meeting. A motion was made by Bob May, seconded by Gary Moulder to approve the minutes. The motion passed and the minutes for September 2019 were approved.

### Correspondence

- A letter was received from Coordinated Response Exercise regarding training for pipeline emergencies
- A letter was received from the Borough of Fleetwood stating the chlorine was removed from their waste water treatment plant. They are no longer subject to reporting.

### **EHS / Tier II Submission Status**

Megan Young-Kraft reports that 339 facilities reported for 2018, with 26 that have not reported. There were 11 facilities that reported and did not pay fees for 2019. Total in fees collected for the 2019 at the time of the meeting is \$112,700.

### **Hazmat Team Report**

Donnie Swope reported on the Berks County Special Operations Group (SOG):

- October training: Norfolk Southern Rail brought a trailer with props for the team to get hands on practice with railcar valves and openings
- November training: SARA facilities were reviewed, and public safety sampling techniques were practiced
- December training: Fit testing and gear inspections were completed
- Training for 2020 is scheduled

### **Old Business**

No report

### **New Business**

#### ***Committee Reports***

- **Right To Know Requests** (September 23<sup>rd</sup>- December 9<sup>th</sup>)
  - 1047 Shoemaker Ave., Shoemakersville PA
  - 105 Meadow Ct., Reading PA
  - 800 Golden Dr., Blandon PA
  - 1123 Benjamin Franklin Hwy., Douglassville PA
  - 3527 Mountain Rd., Upper Bern
  - 321 June Ave., Blandon PA
  - Timet, 900 Hemlock Rd., Morgantown PA
  - 4220-4408 North 5<sup>th</sup> St Hwy., Muhlenberg
  - 8832 Allentown Pk., Fleetwood PA
  - 14390 Kutztown Rd., Fleetwood PA
  - 14135 Kutztown Rd., Fleetwood PA
  - 14432 Kutztown Rd., Fleetwood PA
  - 14165 Kutztown Rd., Fleetwood PA
  - 14035 Kutztown Rd., Fleetwood PA
  - 14015 Kutztown Rd., Fleetwood PA
  - 416 R N 8<sup>th</sup> St., Reading PA
  - 416 N 8<sup>th</sup> St., Reading PA
  - 410 N 8<sup>th</sup> St., Reading PA
  - 401 N 8<sup>th</sup> St., Reading PA
  - 1100 Pottsville Pk., Perry Twp

- **Public Education and Information**
  - No report
- **Hazardous Materials Facility Liaison**
  - No Report
- **Emergency Response and Resources**
  - Lyn O'Hare shared that the EPA's new risk and resilience assessment for water services recommends LEPC membership, so over the next year the LEPC should expect to see an increase in applications
- **Membership**
  - Applications were received from Harry Adams of Bulk Chemical and Richard Stanley of Brenntag Northeast. A motion was made by Robert May and seconded by Charles Zechman to recommend both memberships to the commissioners. The motion carried.
  - A motion was made to recommend the removal of any member that has not attended a meeting in over two years, or eight consecutive meetings. The motion was made by Donnie Swope and seconded by Kevin Docherty. The motion carried.
  - A motion was made by Gary Moulder and seconded by Kevin Docherty to remove Annette Moyer and Danielle Vanella, as they are no longer employed in Berks County. The motion carried.
  - A letter with a list of names to be removed from membership will be sent to the commissioners.

### **Election of Officers 2019**

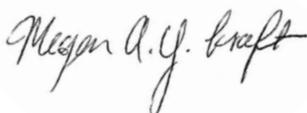
A motion was made by Lyn O'Hare to elect George Dula as Chairperson for 2020. Terry Sturgis seconded the motion and the motion carried. A motion was made by Lyn O'Hare to elect Terry Sturgis as Vice Chairperson for 2020. Donnie Swope seconded the motion and the motion carried.

### **Good & Welfare**

- Terry Sturgis shared that the EPA are rolling back previous guidelines. The federal register will be out soon for review, but one notable change is that RMP facilities will no longer be required to have a physical exercise annually, but rather every seven years.
- Megan Young-Kraft shared that she attended the inspections of all three Bulk Chemical facilities with the EPA. Harry Adams shared that while preliminary suggestions were made as to the storage of chemicals, the full report has not been returned yet.

A motion was made by Robert May, seconded by Kevin Docherty to adjourn. The motion passed, meeting adjourned. The next regular general meeting of the LEPC will be held at 3:00PM on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 2020 at Berks County Department of Emergency Services, 2561 Bernville Road, Reading, PA 19605.

Respectfully Submitted,



Megan A. Young-Kraft  
Recording Secretary, Berks County LEPC