



Berks County LEPC
Local Emergency Planning Committee
"Partners in Preparedness"

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Berks County Local Emergency Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2024

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| 1. Alex Melendez | 5. Phill Spence | 9. Kyle Lundeen |
| 2. Gary Moulder | 6. Meg Young-Kraft | 10. Kevin Schmied |
| 3. Pat Papoutis | 7. Phil Salamone | |
| 4. Donnie Swope | 8. Kevin Docherty | |

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

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| 1. Arturo Menendez | 3. Robert Schegen | 5. Jenna Imes |
| 2. Jolie Malinowski | 4. Ashley Nilsen | |

Welcome & Introductions

In the absence of the president and vice president, Gary Moulder volunteered to start off the meeting. President Alex Melendez advised another member he was delayed but would arrive soon, so Gary called the meeting to order at 1506. The meeting was held in person at 2561 Bernville Road and virtually via Teams meeting.

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

Minutes from the September 2024 meeting

Minutes from the September 2024 meeting were disbursed prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Phill Salamone, seconded by Pat Papoutis to approve the minutes. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

Correspondence

- Downstream notification from:
 - South Central Transit Authority for BARTA Reading. They also provided their spill response plan.
 - Heritage Power, LLC for Titus 545 Poplar Neck Rd., Cumru

EHS / Tier II Submission Status

Megan Young-Kraft reported that as of this morning:

- 351 facilities have submitted a 2023 annual report
- YTD income is \$122,870
- After multiple attempts to make contact regarding reporting, the following 18 facilities have not filed a 2023 Annual Tier II Report:

Company Name	Facility Name
American Crane & Equipment Corporation	American Crane and Equipment Corp.
AmeriGas	Meadows at Heidelberg
Amerigas	AmeriGas Propane, L.P.
AmeriGas	AmeriGas/Berks 78
Birdsboro Borough	Birdsboro Waste Water Treatment Plant
Brown Engineering Co	BROWN ENGINEERING COMPANY, INC.
Direct Link Technologies	Direct Link Technologies
IWCO Direct	IWCO Direct - Litho
IWCO Direct	IWCO Direct - Mail
Kenco Logistic Services	KLS RECKITT PA
Millennium Aviation	MILLENNIUM AVIATION
Santander Bank	Wyomissing
Santander Bank NA	450 Penn Street
Santander Bank NA	601 Penn Street
Savor Street Foods, Inc	Savor Street Foods, Inc.
SFS intec Inc. Exeter	SFS INTEC INC.
Sunsweet Growers, Inc.	SUNSWEEET GROWERS INC.
Sweet Street Desserts, Inc.	SWEET STREET DESSERTS, INC.

The body was asked to reach out to known contacts at these facilities to make contact with Meg to get reports in.

Hazmat Team Report

Phil Salamone reported:

- There was 1 team dispatch to Deka-Topton but we were shortly recalled after command consulted with the Deka team.
- 7 spill trailer responses since June 24th. The county has approved the purchase of 7 new spill trailers spaced over this year and next.
- On Sept. 7th we had the river booming exercise. The river was lower than usual, and after others canceled at the last moment, only Reading Fire Dept's marine unit was able to attend and participate with the team. Boom was successfully deployed across the Schuylkill River at the Gibraltar Boat Launch. We are awaiting the AAR, but the team shared that while the exercise was not as planned, a lot of knowledge was gained.

Old Business

No report

New Business

Committee Reports

- **Planning**

- Meg Young-Kraft reported 121 plans submitted (out of 168 facilities with EHS>TPQ). This has been the best return on plans she has seen.
- On Sept 18th Meg and Amber, a SARA planner from Montco, discussed in depth the planning templates and IDSI Tier II product.
- Meg presented edits to the system and plan templates with IDSI and is awaiting a quote. No changes would be in effect for the 2024 report season.

- **Right to Know Requests (Jun-Sept)**

- No records found for the following requests for:
 - 125 Holly Rd., Hamburg
 - 45 Old Route 22, Kutztown
 - 4710 Penn Ave, South Heidelberg Twp
 - 4708 Penn Ave, South Heidelberg Twp
 - 2700 Papermill Rd., Spring Twp
 - 2501 Kutztown Rd., Reading
 - 1191 Ben Franklin Hwy., Douglassville
 - 1215 Luzerne St., Reading
 - 4841 Perkiomen Ave., Reading
 - 9024 Old Route 22, Bethel
 - 3501 Mountain Rd, Hamburg
 - 2800 State Hill Rd., Spring

- **Public Education and Information**

- National Night Out – Tuesday August 6th, 2024 – all events were canceled due to severe weather. Northern Berks Regional has rescheduled for 9/24
- Spring Township Fire and Rescue is holding an open house on 10/26
- Trunk-Or-Treat event invitations were received from:
 - City of Reading, 10/30
 - Amity Township, 10/23
- Anyone who is interested in attending any of these events, contact Meg

- **Hazardous Materials Facility Liaison**

- Pat shared that Arkema had an event with their plasticizer, it was successfully contained on site and their back-up systems engaged with no issue.

- **Emergency Response and Resources**

- No report

- **Membership**

- No report

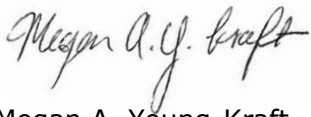
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No Report

A motion was made by Gary Moulder, seconded by Donnie Swope to adjourn. The motion passed; meeting adjourned at 1525.

The next regular general meeting of the LEPC will be held Monday, December 9th at noon, at the Berks County Department of Emergency Services, 2561 Bernville Road, Reading, PA, and via Teams virtually.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Megan A. Young-Kraft".

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