



# Berks County LEPC

Local Emergency Planning Committee

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## Berks County Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting Minutes June 24<sup>th</sup> 2019

### MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Terry Sturgis	Megan Young-Kraft	Donnie Swope	Gary Moulder	Lyn O’Hare
George Dula	Rodney Good	Stephen Young*	Robert May	
Jeff Weidner	Charles Zechman	Kevin Docherty*	John Ravert*	

\*Indicates participated by phone.

### GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Danielle Vanella	Brian Smith		

### Welcome & Introductions

Vice Chairperson Lyn O’Hare called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.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 March 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 March 2019 were approved.

### Correspondence

- A Downstream Notification was received from Energy Transfer, regarding the Sunoco Montello Terminal at 515 Fritztown Rd, Sinking Spring Pa
- A Downstream Notification was received from Lucknow Highspire Terminals, regarding the Reading Terminals at 901-915 Mountain Home Rd, Sinking Spring Pa
- An invitation was received from Spring Township Police Dept. to attend National Night Out on Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at the Lincoln Park Swimming Pool

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

- Megan Young-Kraft reports that 335 facilities have submitted their 2018 annual report
- 375 total facilities
- 165 Active Facilities with EHS exceeding TPO
- Total income from 2018 reporting is \$111,675
- A hazmat layer has been added to the CAD system. This will allow 911 dispatchers to more easily identify SARA facilities and alert first responders.

### **Hazmat Team Report**

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

- Team training was cancelled in June
- In July, training will be at Norfolk Southern with other first responders
- On Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> The team responded to the Bulk Chemical Facility on Mohrsville Rd. in Perry Township for a leak of nitric acid, and then subsequently returned to that facility the next day in response to a fire. Clean up is still underway at the facility.

### **Old Business**

New representatives for subcommittees were appointed.

- Hazardous Materials and Facilities Liaison- Terry Sturgis
- Membership- John Ravert

Lyn O'Hare reports the Lake Ontelaunee Dam EOP has been approved by DEP and will be redistributed to the local EMCs.

### **New Business**

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

- **Right To Know Requests** (March 26<sup>th</sup> 2019-June 24<sup>th</sup> 2019)
  - 18 Morgan Dr., Spring Twp
  - 30 West Huller Ln., Ontelaunee Twp =SARA facility
  - 237 and 243 West Penn Ave, Wernersville Borough
  - 111 Godfrey St. Tulpehocken Twp.
  - 37 Penn St., Lenhartsville Borough
  - Fort Motel Rd., Bethel Township
  - Area of 3401 New Holland Rd., Cumru Twp.
  - Welsh Rd near Ledgerock Rd., Cumru Twp.
  - 65 W Penn St., Lenhartsville Borough
  - West Leesport Rd and Bernville Rd., Bern Twp.
  - 236 Ben Franklin Hwy., Douglass Twp
  - 61 vanguard Dr., Exeter Twp =SARA facility, A release of deionized grease was reported in 2010
- **Public Education and Information**

- No report
- **Hazardous Materials Facility Liaison**
  - No Report
- **Emergency Response and Resources**
  - Chuck Zechman will be reporting on the use of the county spill trailers at each meeting. They are used in petrol responses throughout the county by fire departments.
- **Membership**
  - A motion was made to accept the applications of Benjamin Ross and Danielle Vanella by Bob May and seconded by Chuck Zechman. The motion carried. Ben is a Hazmat Team Captain and Special Ops and Projects Manager for the County. Danielle is the Regional Safety Manager for Brenntag, recently taking over for Gary Moulder after his retirement.

### **Good & Welfare**

Bob May suggested that contact be made with Chairperson Annette Moyer to ask for her resignation after her recent move to Texas.

After recent flooding, Chuck Zechman inquired as to the process of becoming a local Emergency Management Coordinator. Donnie Swope advised interested parties would talk to their municipality's counsel or board and apply.

The recent oil refinery fire in Philadelphia was discussed.

A motion was made by Bob May, seconded by George Dula to adjourn. The motion passed, meeting adjourned. The next regular general meeting of the LEPC will be held at 3:00 PM on Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 at Berks County Department of Emergency Services, 2561 Bernville Road, Reading, PA 19605.

Respectfully Submitted,



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