



Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2017

ATTENDEES:

Colin Brody, Fairfax County Health Dept.
Budoin Cooper, VDOT
Johna Gagnon, EQAC
Lynn Green, DPWES Stormwater Planning Division
Barry Hall, Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office
Sandra Hoffman, USAG Fort Belvoir
Mary Ann Jennings, Fairfax County Police Dept.
Paul Jolley, Colonial Pipeline
Rick Leino, American Red Cross
Seamus Mooney, Fairfax County OEM
Erik Peterson, Chairman
Martin Ranck, Vice Chairman
Ken Rudnicki, City of Fairfax OEM

Staff Support:

Trice Burgess, Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office
Karen Lowery, Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office

FILEPC MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairman Erik Peterson called the August 10, 2017, meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 10:02 a.m. He asked that everyone introduce himself or herself.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman called for motion to approve minutes of April 13, 2017, meeting. Motion to add under Liaison with other LEPCs "and staging" to last sentence of second paragraph after "improvements." Motion to approve minutes with change was made by Ken Rudnicki and seconded by Paul Jolley. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Communications:

No report.

Business Outreach:

No report.

Ways and Means:

No report.

HMERP Exercise Subcommittee:

Vice Chairman Ranck reported they are waiting on response from Merrifield Post Office regarding participation in future tabletop exercise lead by Fairfax County including, HAZMAT Team, Health Dept., Police Dept. and Fairfax Hospital. Exercise tentatively to be held in October/November 2017.

CCC Liaison Updates:

Chairman Peterson attended a meeting on July 27, 2017. They held elections and incumbents were re-elected. A presentation was given on making a kit, being prepared, and staying informed—encouraging citizens to be involved.

Burke Festival is September 9-11, 2017, opportunity to provide information to public on Ready, Set, Know.

Community Resilience Groups are being held this fall, Springfield District (October) and Providence District (November).

Liaison with other LEPCs:

Chairman Peterson attended Prince William County's LEPC meeting on June 26, 2017. Their new Emergency Management Coordinator was introduced—Brian Misner. There was a presentation by Charlie Fitzsimmons from the EPA. Chairman Peterson stated that Mr. Fitzsimmons will be presenting to our LEPC at a future meeting. It was reported at the meeting that a private contractor in Prince William County was arrested for illegally dumping fuel into a storm drain after an investigation and surveillance of this individual. Chairman Peterson gave a brief overview of this person's actions to the committee, and there was discussion among the group. For the period of January-June 2017 – 41 hazmat incidents were reported in Prince William County.

Shelter in Place Video:

The committee viewed the new Shelter-in-Place video, which is 4 ½ minutes long. Chairman Peterson commented that Channel 16 said the outline the FJLEPC provided worked very well. The video is to be posted on the OEM and FJLEPC websites, and Fairfax Alerts to start. Mr. Cooper, VDOT, asked if the video was going to be released in different languages, to which Chairman Peterson replied it would be in the future.

There was discussion among the committee on various events where the video could be shown to the public. There was also discussion on creating a flyer to include a link to the video and a few bullet points to attract attention to what it means to "Shelter in Place." The committee discussed various items that should be included on the brochure. Mary Ann Jennings volunteered to work on creating the brochure and will solicit comments from members. Rick Leino also volunteered to assist. Cost of printing the brochure in color was discussed, and Trice will check on budget allocation. Paul Jolley will speak with Colonial Pipeline to see if they would be able to cover costs of printing. Ken Rudnicki will check with Fairfax City.

HAZMAT RESPONSE TEAM (HMRT) UPDATE

RECENT INCIDENTS

Vice Chairman Ranck reported on the following incidents:

- Carbon monoxide incidents resulting from bad HVAC units and 1 instance with a truck left running and exhaust going directly into a building. This was investigated, and it was determined there were no adverse effects on the occupants of the building.
- Ashburn Iceplex – assisted Loudoun County with incident involving anhydrous ammonia
- Pickett Road Tank Farm – assisted Fairfax City with incident of fuel spill/mitigation
- Responded to incident involving a citizen and fumes from sulfuric acid.

HMRT TRAINING

Vice Chairman Ranck reported that there will be training exercises conducted with harbor booms on bodies of water within Fairfax County such as the Potomac River.

Vice Chairman Ranck reported that radiation, meter, and decon procedures will be coming in the near future.

FJLEPC COORDINATOR UPDATE

Tier II Manager Update & HMERP

Trice Burgess reported as follows on the Tier II facilities:

587 – total facilities

421 – active facilities

137 – active critical facilities

12 – facilities not in compliance

Majority of facilities in Fairfax County have sulfuric acid from batteries

97% compliance rate has been achieved.

EQAC

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trice Burgess reported that the 2017 Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan is complete. Comments were received from FJLEPC, Hazmat Team, and OEM. Public Notice has been advertised in Fairfax Times newspaper informing citizens.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

Chairman Peterson entertained a motion to adjourn. Ken Rudnicki made a motion to adjourn. Mary Ann Jennings seconded. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

The next meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee will be held on Thursday, October 12, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. This meeting will be held in the A Conference Room at the Fire Marshal Headquarters, 10700 Page Avenue, Fairfax, VA.