



## Meeting Minutes October 10, 2019

### **ATTENDEES:**

Colin Brody, Fairfax Co. Health Dept.  
Rodney Ervin, NGA  
Don Gotthardt, Fairfax Co. PD  
Kate LoPiccolo, Miller Environmental  
Kerwin McNamara, Fairfax Co. FMO  
Richard Michelback, FCPS  
Seamus Mooney, Fairfax Co. OEM  
Erik Peterson, Inova Fairfax Hospital  
Martin Ranck, Chairman  
Richard Roatch, Fairfax Co. FMO  
David Sellers, Fairfax Co. FRD  
John Sherwood, Fairfax Co. FMO

### **VIA TELECONFERENCE:**

Bart Routh, SICP  
Ken Rudnicki, Fairfax City  
Aaron Stern, USGS

### **STAFF SUPPORT:**

Trice Burgess, Fairfax Co. FMO  
Karen Lowery, Fairfax Co. FMO

### **FJLEPC MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Chairman Ranck called the October 10, 2019, meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 10:04 a.m. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves. Chairman Ranck informed attendees he is now on A-shift in the field. He introduced Battalion Chief David Sellers, Special Operations Division, Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and asked that he be added to the FJLEPC distribution lists.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Chairman Ranck asked everyone to review minutes from the August 8, 2019, meeting. Chairman Ranck entertained a motion to approve the August 8, 2019, minutes. Erik Peterson made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Don Gotthardt. Motion carried.

### **REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Public Communications:**

Seamus Mooney reported that September was Emergency Awareness Preparedness Month and, the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) participated in several events to get public messaging information distributed.

#### **Business Outreach:**

Seamus Mooney reported that OEM continues working with steering committee on creating a business emergency operation center (BEOC) and having the EOC involved in notification to businesses in the event of an emergency. He noted that the City of San Francisco and the State of Louisiana have very successful BEOCs.

**HMERP Exercise Subcommittee:**

Chairman Ranck reported they conducted an exercise at the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Academy's burn building for all 3 shifts, with a simulation of contaminated areas and people trapped in different locations. He and Trice were present at the exercise, and the Tier II program was utilized.

**CCC Liaison:** Seamus Mooney reported that the CCC would like to add LEPC events to their 2020 calendar. They will also identify events next year, in a marketing campaign capacity, which can include the LEPC.

**Ways and Means:** Erik Peterson reported there has been no response from the Chamber of Commerce.

**Liaison with other LEPCs:** Chairman Ranck reported the he did not attend any meetings in September. He stated that John Higginbotham, VDEM, let him know there was nothing to report from City of Alexandria, Loudoun, or Prince William County LEPCs. The next Prince William County LEPC meeting is December 16, 2019.

**Subcommittees:**

**HAZMAT RESPONSE TEAM (HMRT) UPDATE**

**RECENT INCIDENTS**

Chairman Ranck reported there will several gas leaks. BC David Sellers reported there was an 8" line gas leak event in Reston on line owned by Columbia Gas.

**HMRT TRAINING**

Chairman Ranck reported there will be a foam drill at the Fairfax City Tank Farm this month.

**FJLEPC COORDINATOR UPDATE**

**Tier II Manager Update & HMERP**

Trice Burgess reported:

579 – total active/inactive facilities

438 – active facilities

141 – inactive facilities

154 – critical hazard facilities

122 – facilities deleted from Tier II Program

There are 22 licenses for the TIER II Manager program which will give all Fairfax County fire station captains access.

The required letter of the current FJLEPC membership roster has been sent to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

The required notice of the submittal of the Emergency Response Plan was recently posted in the **Fairfax Times** newspaper.

**EQAC**

No report.

**Old Business:**

No report.

**New Business:**

Chairman Ranck reported that Trice and he participated in the International Association of Fire Chiefs LEPC Roundtable in September.

**Roundtable/Member Updates:**

Chairman Ranck polled attendees for updates on their respective positions.

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

***The next meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee  
will be held on Thursday, December 12, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.  
Fairfax County Public Safety Headquarters  
12099 Government Center Parkway, Room 3121  
Fairfax, Virginia 22035***