



Meeting Minutes October 8, 2020

VIA TEAM/TELECONFERENCE:

Jonathon Anburg
Rod Ervin, NGA
Johna Gagnon, EQAC
Lynn Green, Fairfax Co. SWM
John Higginbotham, VDEM
Paul Jolley, Vice Chairman FJLEPC
Richard Michelback, FCPS
Nate Murray, Colonial Pipeline
John O'Neal, Fairfax City FD
Bowman Olds
Erik Peterson, Inova Fairfax Hospital
Marty Ranck, Chairman FJLEPC
Eric Reist, Inova
Bart Routh, SICPA
Richard Michelback, FCPS
Amara Smith, Colonial Pipeline
Aaron Stern, USGS
David Sellers, Fairfax Co. FRD
Bryan Walker, Inova
Greg Zebrowski, Fairfax Co. OEM

STAFF SUPPORT:

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

FJLEPC MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairman Ranck called the October 8, 2020, meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 10:00 a.m. He welcomed everyone to the virtual meeting being held on Team/Teleconference.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman Ranck asked everyone to review the August 13, 2020, meeting minutes. Chairman Ranck made one change on page 3, New Business, to change the word "private" to "public". Hearing no other changes, he called for a motion to approve the minutes; there were numerous motions made to approve the minutes as noted and numerous seconds. Motion carried.

REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Communications: no report.

Business Outreach: no report.

HMERP Exercise Subcommittee:

Battalion Chief David Sellers reported on the overview of the pipeline incident that occurred in Centreville in 2015 was held to review the county's response to this event as well as to look at other similar events that have occurred around the country. The date for the HMERP exercise is scheduled for October 21, 2020. It will be held at outside of FS40 and will feature new foam equipment.

CCC Liaison:

Chairman Ranck reported he attended a portion of the meeting held in September where the following was discussed:

- Expanding Fairfax Alerts to get more citizens to subscribe
- Improving communications on social media platforms
- Digital outreach/webinars

Ways and Means: No report.

Liaison with other LEPCs:

Chairman Ranck asked if anyone had attended LEPC meetings in other jurisdictions recently. Several members said that no meetings have been held but plans are to begin holding meetings virtually in Loudoun and Prince William Counties.

Subcommittees:

HAZMAT RESPONSE TEAM (HMRT) UPDATE

RECENT INCIDENTS

Battalion Chief David Sellers reported no major incidents. Indoor/outdoor gas leaks and an incident in Lorton pertaining to a mercury spill/mitigation efforts.

HMRT TRAINING

BC Sellers reported teams are currently training with new environmentally friendly foam and should be complete by the end of October. The target date for deployment is November 7, 2020.

FJLEPC COORDINATOR UPDATE

Tier II Manager Update & HMERP

Trice Burgess reported:

- 581 – total active/inactive facilities
- 431 – active
- 154 – critical hazard facilities

One facility has been referred to EPA for assistance in compliance, however, Trice has heard nothing from EPA to date.

EQAC

No report.

Old Business:

New Business:

Chairman Ranck reported that Gary Switzer, past chairman of the FJLEPC, passed away in September. Erik Peterson conveyed that Inova is working with the Switzer family on a memorial service to be held on November 15, 2020, 11:30-12:30 p.m.

Chairman Ranck polled the attendees for nominations to fill the vice chairman's position in 2021. The following persons were nominated:

- David Sellers, Fairfax Co. FRD
- John O'Neal, City of Fairfax
- Richard Michelback, FCPS

The membership will vote at the December 10, 2020 meeting.

Roundtable/Member Updates

Chairman Ranck called for roundtable/member updates from each person present. Colin Brody, Fairfax Co. Health Dept. was unable to attend the meeting but provided an update via email message:

- FCHD continues to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, and we will be in this posture for the foreseeable future. Our cases have, for the most part, leveled off, and we average between 75 and 90 new cases per day. We are also planning for the eventual mass vaccination campaign. I should have updates on that at future meetings.

Chairman Ranck gave a PowerPoint presentation on the response to the Colonial Pipeline incident in the Centreville area on 9/21/15.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

Chairman Ranck asked for a motion to adjourn; motion made by Johna Gagnon with a second by Lynn Green. Meeting was adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

***The next meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee
will be held on Thursday, December 10, 2020***