

**MINUTES OF THE
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, FEB. 26, 2015**

Members Present: Sadie Brown-DNR, Mike Winski-Citizen/Fire, Ron Barger- Public Health, Jan Novak-Sartori Company, Tim Rusch-Hwy. Dept., Brad Henricks-Emergency Mangement

Call meeting to order/Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Emergency Management Director Brad Henricks called a meeting of the Local Emergency Planning Committee to order on the above date at 10:05 a.m. in the absence of Chairman Joseph Novak.

Approve August 14, 2014 Minutes

Minutes from the August 14, 2014 meeting had been distributed and reviewed. Motion by Ron Barger, second by Jan Novak to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2014 meeting of the Langlade County LEPC. All ayes. Motion carried.

LEPC Membership Confirmed at Sept. 16, 2014 County Board Meeting

EM Director Henricks informed the LEPC that he had taken a resolution to the Sept. County Board meeting to approve the appointment of the members. The resolution passed the consent agenda of the Board. This fulfills the requirement that the County Board make and approve the appointments to the LEPC. Some discussion regarding the representative from the Red Cross, as there is an apparent vacancy in this region.

Review Spring '15 Off-Site Plans

EM Director Henricks indicated that four (4) facilities had worked with him to file their Off-Site Plans. Servco FS locations on Clermont St. and Edison St, along with Sartori Company and Mills Fleet Farm were the facilities whose plans were presented. Henricks indicated the excellent cooperation he received from all the facilities, and the fine job they do in planning and handling the hazardous materials they have in house.

Discuss Nitrogen tank leak of Oct. 10, 2014

EM Director Henricks informed the Committee that he had been notified that there was a minor leak from a nitrogen tank from the idled Northland Heat Treating facility on Elm St. in Antigo. The Antigo Fire Dept. responded and tightened the valve, stopping the leak. Arrangements were made to drain the tank to prevent any future concerns.

Review 2015 Langlade County-Wide Strategic Plan

EM Director Henricks reviewed the 2015 County-Wide Strategic Plan with the Committee. Changes in the plan were made to reflect the current hazmat response situation in the County since the Antigo Fire Dept. is no longer designated the County response team. Each fire dept. will be the initial response for any hazmat call with their jurisdiction and access the situation and determine if further response is needed

Review Contract with Oneida County Hazmat Team

Discussion with the Committee on the details of the current contract that Langlade County has with the Oneida Co. Hazmat Team. Oneida currently contracts also with Vilas, Forest and Lincoln Counties. Should the Oneida Team be called, there is a set fee for the time and type of call they would respond to. Annually, Langlade provides Oneida with \$5,000.00 worth of hazmat equipment to satisfy the contract. This is an advantage to Langlade Co., as that equipment can be purchased through a grant, of which Langlade is only responsible for 20% match.

Current activity updates from the different disciplines

Citizen/Fire. Mike Winski reported that the Fire Dept.'s in Langlade had been working for a couple years on implementing MASBAS. Sheriff Greening released a notice that the Dispatch Center would not be dispatching or training the dispatch staff on MABAS. EM Director Henricks said that he has talked with Sheriff Greening, and that Greening wanted to investigate MABAS further. Hopefully the issue can be revisited.

DNR. Sadie Brown from the DNR reported that there have been dramatic personnel reductions in wild land firefighting crews. Optimistic that there will be a shorter fire season this spring. Also discussed the Antigo DNR Office hours at 11 am to 2 pm daily.

Hwy. Dept. Tim Rusch announced that he will be retiring in June of this year, along with the Assistant Commissioner, Ken Washatko. Tim will be missed on the LEPC as he had experience in the private sector with chemicals. Tim also expressed concern over the Hazmat Trailer being stored in a Hwy. Dept. shelter. Henricks explained that he has made arrangements with Oneida Co. to come and look at the trailer and equipment and see what could be utilized. Henricks indicated that he will endeavor to get the trailer removed.

Sartori Company. Jan Novak updated the committee on the expansion project going on at Sartori. Some minor weather delays, but the project is moving along. Hopefully they will be able to meet the mid June completion date.

Public Health. Ron Barger reported on the work that has been done on a Regional Mass Fatality Plan and trainings.

Public Comment

None

Such Matters as May legally be Brought before the Committee

None

Set Next Meeting Date

Next meeting date tentatively set for August 13, 2015, to adjust to a conflict with the Traffic Safety Commission meeting.

Adjourn

Motion by Tim Rusch, second by Ron Barger to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Brad Henricks, Local Emergency Planning Committee Coordinator of Information.