



COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON

Local Emergency Planning Committee

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Date: Wednesday June 1, 2022

Location: Northampton County Emergency Operations Center (EOC)

100 Gracedale Avenue Nazareth, PA 18064

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

- MR called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

II. Attendance

RW	Rick Weaver	Northampton Cty. Fire School	AW	Anna Warner	Air Liquide
JS	Joe Sipel	Wilson Borough Fire Dept.	RH	Ronald Hulsizer	911 / NCEM
JF	Joseph Fittos, III	EWMI / Rapid Response	DZ	Don Zipp	Bio Spectra
KT	Kevin Thomas	Bethlehem City Fire Dept.	LC	Lauren Coccia	NCEM
MR	Mike Rinker	NCEM – LEPC Chairperson	TW	Todd Weaver	NCEM
MRA	Michael Rampulla	NCEM	WA	Warren Achey	Bethlehem City Fire Dept.
MRe	Michael Reich	Bethlehem City Fire Dept.	DM	Dave Malloy	Public
MP	Mike Phillips	Pennsylvania DEP	KH	Kyle Horton	LVHN
JU	Jonathan Ulanoski	Pennsylvania DEP	AL	Alan Lynch	SLUHN
ML	Mike Lenner	NCEM			

III. Public Comment

- None.

IV. Approval of the March 2, 2022 Meeting Minutes

- MR requested a Motion to Approve the March 2022 Meeting Minutes: 1st by TW, 2nd by JF, all in favor.

V. Presentation

- Jonathan Ulanoski, Emergency Response Program Manager, DEP

VI. Financial Report (presented by MRa)

- Beginning balance: \$147,591.00
 - Revenue: + \$ 63,740.54
 - \$211,331.54**
 - Expenditures: - \$ 60,623.27
 - Encumbrance: - \$105,830.40
 - Ending balance: \$ 44,877.87**
- (Figures presented as of date of May 27, 2022)

- **Year-to-Date Revenues**

- Emergency Planning Fees: \$8,200.00
- Hazardous Chemical Fees: \$47,475.00
- County Cost Reimbursement: \$8,065.54

- **Year-to-Date Expenditures**

- Telephone: \$4,443.67
- Minor Equipment: \$ 90.65
- Operating Supplies: \$ 318.02
- Professional Services: \$41,582.80
- Repair/Maintenance of Equipment: \$ 1,458.17
- Education: \$7,855.00
- Security & Safety Supplies: \$4,875.00

- MR requested a Motion to Approve the March 2, 2022 Financial Report:
1st by KT, 2nd by WA, all in favor.

Sara Title III Collections – As of June 1, 2022 (presented by MR)

- Tier II billing & payments – Total facilities billed: **184**
 - Billed / Assessed: \$ 57,350.00
 - Fees Collected: - \$ 53,400.00
 - Fees Outstanding: \$ 3,950.00
- 21 Facilities were re-billed & sent non-compliance letters on 4/27. It explained Act 165, the HazMat Emergency Planning & Response Act and the County’s Ordinance No. 204-No. 214.

VII. Plans (presented by MR)

- **Emergency Response Plans**

- Updated
 - Waste Management Greenstar Recycling, 799 Smith Lane, Northampton
 - Waste Management Grand Central Station, 910 W Pennsylvania Ave, Pen Argyl.
 - United Parcel Service, Inc. (Lehigh Valley) 1620 Van Buren Road, Easton.
- New
 - None

- Preparedness, Prevention, Contingency Plans
 - Updated
 - None
 - New
 - None

VIII. Site Visits (presented by MR)

- Completed
 - None
- Upcoming
 - Thermo Fisher Scientific, 6771 Silver Crest Road, East Allen Township
 - Praxair, 145 Shimersville Road, Bethlehem

IX. Northampton County Response & Training Reports

- Four (4) responses since the March 2, 2022 meeting, they were: (presented by MRa)
 - 4/26 – Main Street, Walnutport
 - Investigation of sheen on the Lehigh River
 - 4/11 – 324 Riverview Drive, Lehigh Township
 - Spill
 - 4/14 – 3350 Pheasant Drive, Moore Township
 - Home heating oil spill
 - 4/29 – Moore Twp. Fire House, 2718 Mountain View Drive, Moore Township
 - Structure Fire, Assist with Ram Fan
- Northampton County EM Hosted Training Courses (provided by MRa)
 - 6/2 & 6/3 – ICS 400: Advanced ICS for Command & General Staff
 - 6/25 – HazMat IQ: Above the Line, Below the Line
 - 9/28 & 9/29 – G-271: Severe Weather
 - 10/25 & 10/26 – Medical Preparedness to Bombing Incidents
- Northampton County Fire School Training Report (provided by RW)
 - 6/2 – Hazmat Awareness Refresher at NC-EOC (2 sessions)
 - 8/7 – Hazmat Awareness Course at NCFS
 - 10/20 – Hazmat Operations Course starts at NCFS
 - NCFS Pro-Board Testing Dates
 - 4/28 & 4/30 – Hazmat Operations at NCFS – cancelled, 1 applicant

X. Lehigh County Special Operations Response & Training Reports

- Responses:
 - N/A
- Lehigh County Special Ops Hosted Training Courses & News
 - Will be holding Hazmat IQ course for their HazMat Technicians. (date: N/A)
 - Advanced Metering course planned for October 2022.

- Added seven (7) new technicians to their team, still looking for new, part-time members for their team.

XI. Bethlehem City Fire Department Response & Training Reports (presented by KT)

- Responses:
 - Four (4) responses since the March 2, 2022 meeting, they were:
 - Hydraulic Fuel Spill in March
 - Spill in a lab at Lehigh University
 - Carbon Dioxide Leak at WaWa on Broad St.
 - Fuel Spill from Tractor Trailer on I-78 in May. Remediation is ongoing.
- Bethlehem City Fire Department Hosted Training Courses & News
 - CMERTT/TMERTT attended in March
 - Confined Space Rescue was held in April
 - Certification Drill on 5/5/22 w/PEMA for recertification
 - Planning & Response to High Consequence Incidents on 5/20
 - Dept. wide training on Chlorine & Clandestine Drug Labs- on going.
 - 7/12 – 7/14 - Elicit Chemicals course being held at Liberty HS.
 - Proboard Technical Decon & Air Monitoring – Several dates department wide.
 - User training for Draeger X-site lives- tentatively scheduled for the end of July. (Exact date TBD once equipment is received- 4 purchased & they have 2 units)

XII. Old Business

- City of Bethlehem Hazmat Truck upgrades:
 - Per KT, the truck is completed and back in service.
- Meter Simulators:
 - Per MRa, meter simulators were received.
- Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) Award:
 - Per TW, submitted grant for training, radio replacement in the trucks, meter simulators and a FirstNet Subscription. All requests totaled \$100,000. A budget adjustment was entered to add in TAG grant requests.
- New LEPC Membership ***was on agenda and approved last meeting (12/1/21)*
 - MR discussed the addition of new LEPC Members to the group:
 - Mr. Mike Phillips, Pennsylvania DEP (replacing Mr. Dave Malloy)
 - Mr. Donald Zipp, New HHS at BioSpectra
 - Mr. Michael Lenner, Deputy Director of Systems, 911/NCEM
 - TW stated that new members would be added and sent to County Council / County Executive for approval in the beginning of 2022.
 - MR made the Motion to approve the addition of the three (3) new LEPC members: 1st by MR, 2nd by JB, all in favor.

XIII. New Business

- 2022-2023 HMRF Grant- We received \$19,095 out of \$30,000 requested from PEMA. This grant is to contract services with Lehigh County HazMat.

- 2023-2025 HMEP was submitted for years 1 & 3 in the amount of \$24,648.96
For year 2- \$34,648.96 (\$10,000 additional for Commodity Flow Study in 2024)
Total for all 3 years - \$83,946.88
- 2021-2022 HMEP Mid-Year report was submitted for the period of October 1, 2021-
March 31, 2022. This was for 7 classes totaling 5,619. HazMat Ops (1),
HazMat Ops Refresher (5), HazMat Awareness (1).
 - Two (2) HazMat Ops Refreshers were also requested.
- IAFC Baltimore HazMat Conference- 5 members will be attending it. Funding from
HMEP 2020-2022 Grant of \$9,880.00.

XIV. Upcoming meetings

- September 7, 2022 at 10:00am – Northampton County Operations Center
 - 2022 Scheduled Quarterly LEPC Meetings (*held at NCEM EOC, unless noted*)
 - December 7, 2022

XV. Good of the Order

- TW stated that if anyone has ideas for speakers at the upcoming meetings, to please reach out and contact MR.

XVI. Adjournment

- MR requested a Motion to Adjourn the meeting:
1st by KH, 2nd by MR, all in favor
 - Meeting adjourned.

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