

Cass County LEPC
Meeting Minutes
December 5, 2012

Meeting called to order by Alvin Beckman at 603PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sheriff Pryor, Herb Detrick, Tim Cree, Larry Lucas, Alvin Beckman, Rocky Buffum, Herb Bowman

GUESTS: Vicky Cree, Bob & Sandra Curry

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting was made by Rocky Buffum with a second by Herb Detrick. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

2012 EXERCISE

State guidelines have changed and now require all exercises (tabletop, full scale, etc) to be HSEEP Compliant and entered into NEXUS database. Alvin has taken this training before but will be taking it again as a refresher. One offering is on the state training calendar for January and there may be an opportunity coming up in District 4. Members Rocky Buffum and Herb Detrick are also interested in attending.

SITE VISITS, TOURS, EXERCISES, ETC

This meeting was originally scheduled for last month at the Anderson's Ethanol plant. Alvin was on sick leave and a number of committee members indicated they would be unable to attend meaning we would not have had a quorum. We will discuss arranging this again at the February meeting. Tonight the Anderson's in Walton is conducting tours with the Walton Fire Department.

NEW BUSINESS

BUDGET

Submitted to and approved by the county council. We are not able to spend these funds yet but are getting closer.

LEPC COMMITTEE MEMBER APPOINTMENTS

Due to changes in the laws governing LEPC's proxies must now be declared at the beginning of the year and be for the entire year. Our bylaws will need to be amended to reflect this change. Rocky Buffum will be leaving the LEPC and Bob and Sandra Curry are in attendance with interest in taking his place representing the community organizations group (American Red Cross). This is a change from the last meeting where it was reported Shaina from the Kokomo red cross office would be attending. It was noted Bob Ehle, Jr, our media representative, is starting a new job in another industry so we will have to consider this as well.

BY-LAWS REVIEW

Between now and February we will need to evaluate our bylaws and HAZMAT plan for needed revisions. We also need to complete a commodity flow study.

MEETING DATES FOR 2013

Meeting dates for 2013 were proposed for February 6, May 1, August 7th and November 6. Time to be kept at 6PM. A motion to approve was made by Herb Detrick, second by Herb Bowman. Motion carried. Alvin will arrange for publication. He did advertise the changed date and time for last month's meeting.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

The following were nominated as officers for 2013: Alvin Beckman (Chairman), Herb Detrick (Vice Chairman), Randy Pryor (Secretary)

December 20th the Anderson's Ethanol Plant in Clymers will be conducting a demonstration burn for the Clymers VFD. LEPC members are invited to attend.

A question was raised about ethics training to meet state requirements. Alvin will check with John Steel

To meet new federal guidelines each LEPC needs a DUNS number. Alvin will check to see if the county DUNS number can be used, if not he will start the process to get us one. This is used in the application process for federal funding.

The EMA Christmas party will be held on December 15th, LEPC members are invited to attend

There has been discussion of transitioning to district level LEPC's. This is a concept right now as it would require changes in federal and state laws to implement.

FINANCIAL REPORT

No activity

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Rocky Buffum with a second by Herb Bowman. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rocky Buffum
LEPC Secretary