



LaSalle County

Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2020

Attendees:

Chris Cleveland – Alliance Pipeline/Enbridge
 Blake Jacobs – Flint Hills Resources
 Andy Borkowski - Ottawa Fire Department
 Julie Kerestes – LaSalle County Health Department

Randy Freeman – IL Dept. of Transportation
 Connie Brooks – LaSalle County Emergency Management Agency
 Jeff Arthurs – MSL Healthcare
 Dale Johnson – Nutrien

The meeting was called to order at 11:02am.

Old Business:

- A. Minutes of the October 1, 2019 meeting minutes were reviewed. Andy Borkowski made a motion to approve the minutes as presented with a second by Chris Cleveland. Motion Carried.
- B. Tier II/302 Reports: Connie reminded the committee that January 10, 2020 started the required annual Tier II reporting cycle. Reports are due to the LEPC and the local Fire Department in which the companies receive service no later than March 1st. Hard copies go to the LEPC and the Fire Departments where IEMA will ONLY take online submissions.
- C. Spill reports were received and information disseminated as follows:

Spill Reports October-December 2019				
Date Reported	Location (City)	Substance	Spill Cause	Report Number
10/5/2019	Peru	Butadiene Finish	Unknown	H-2019-1033
10/9/2019	Mendota	Gasoline & Diesel	LUST	H-2019-1045
12/23/2019	Ottawa	Gasoline	LUST	H-2019-1295

FOIA requests:

FOIA Requests October-December 2019				
Request Date	Requestor	Request Location	Response	Response Date
10/15/19	SWCA Environmental Consultants, Otter Creek Wind Energy	SE LaSalle County, east of Streator	Reply email with links to EMA's online Spill Report Map & IEMA's spill report search engine	10/15/2019
10/16/19	SWCA Environmental Consultants, Otter Creek Wind Energy	SE LaSalle County, east of Streator	Replied to his second email request with a digital copy of IEMA's spill report and reported that their report has more information than our office (LC EMA) has	10/22/2019

- D. HMEP Grant Updates – Federal Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) three year grant that was applied for the LaSalle County EMA received approval of grant application; the 80% award was for \$9,884.40 over three years, so each year, we will receive \$3,294.80; this money goes toward training and education, including up to two LEPC members to attend the Winnebago County LEPC conference and 5% of Fred's salary for the updating our transportation hazardous materials emergency plans.

- E. LEPC support update: Connie gave the committee an update on donations received in 2019 and what the expenditures were as well as a current balance.
- F. Citizen Corps Update: Connie gave an update on Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) in that FEMA has updated the basic curriculum, first revision since 2013 and some of the changes are major in that FEMA removed START Triage from Disaster Med Ops I and they've changed terminology from "Victim" to "Survivor"; there are other changes in Disaster Psychology and Terrorism; new curriculum was to be available as of January 8th, but most of it has already been released; a second webinar is scheduled for January 8th for more update information

Julie Kerestes gave an update that Matt Devine, their Medical Reserve Corps person is leaving in two weeks (January 17th is his last day) so they'll be looking to replace that position soon

- G. LaSalle County Emergency Management Advisory Committee (LC EMAC) – Next meeting is February 6, 2020 @ 1:00pm here at the EMA building

New Business:

Plant/Pipeline Updates:

- Alliance/Enbridge Pipeline – Wedron Quarry stopped blasting so good news for now as they continue to monitor the situation; NIPA is folding so they're joining Paradigm for responder pipeline education; they're running well with no incidents
- Flint Hills – 791 days since last recordable; 1358 days since last lost time; 1698 days since last contractor incident; Peru plant is running its best since 2013; 5 months since last environmental incident; will be offering digital copies of their emergency response plans instead of all hard copies; Blake is moving to an IT-ish position within FHR, so they'll be replacing him; he also indicated that they have 4-5 retirements coming this year
- Nutrien – adding new condensers; NPD System, getting rid of discharge monitor; 16400 man hours since last environmental incident; 2099 since last recordable

Miscellaneous:

- Connie reminded the committee that the HMEP grant will allow two LEPC members to attend the Winnebago County LEPC Conference which has been in early May; 2020 conference information is not yet available but she will send the information out when it becomes available
- Connie also passed around the Paradigm Spring Seminar for pipelines that LEPC members can attend, they simply need to register: www.rsvp.pdigm.com and enter the code 372G-GGGK; the session for LaSalle County is on 2/13/2020 @ 11:30am at Celebrations 150 in LaSalle.

Elections: Nominations were open for LEPC Chairman and no one submitted a nomination; Jeff Arthurs indicated he would be willing to continue as Chairman if no one else was interested; Julie Kerestes made the motion for Jeff Arthurs to continue as LEPC Chairman and Randy Freeman second the motion; all ayes – motion carried. Jeff Arthurs remains LaSalle County LEPC Chairman for another two years.

Next meeting is April 7, 2020; rest of 2020 schedule includes July 7th and October 6th; all meetings are here at the EMA building at 11:00am.

Public Comment:

No members of the general public in attendance

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Randy Freeman; second by Andy Borkowski; motion carried. Next meeting is **April 7, 2020 at 11:00am**, same location.

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Connie Brooks".

Connie Brooks, LEPC Secretary
LaSalle County EMA Director