

LaSalle County

Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Meeting

October 10, 2023, 11:00am

Minutes

Attendees:

Brian Bressner – Ottawa Fire Department Lou Silveri & Steve Pavlick- Coogee Ottawa Fred Moore – LaSalle County Emergency Management Agency Monica Strzalkowski – Health Department Zachary Vankeulen – OSF Healthcare Michelle Kohr – SABIC Brian Gift – LaSalle County Land Use Blake Jacobs & Morgan Ebener – Epsilyte Jeph Bassett – Office of the State Fire Marshal

Meeting was called to order at 11:03am.

Public Comment

There were no public comments made.

Old Business

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2023, April 4, 2023, and July 11, 2023 LEPC meeting minutes was made by Michelle Kohr seconded by Monica Strzalkowski; all ayes, motion carried.

Tier II Update: No annual reports or new submissions were received.

Date Reported	Location (City)	Spill Reports July – September 2023		
		Substance	Spill Cause	Report Number
8/1/23	Mendota	Diesel Fuel	Unknown human error	H-2023-0616
9/19/23	Ottawa	Propane	Leaking rail car	H-2023-0780

FOIA Requests – July-September 2023						
Date	Requestor	Request	Response	Response Date		
8/6/23	Jamie Hicks	Meeting minutes from the April and July LEPC meetings and a copy of Carus emergency plan	Provided draft meeting minutes and advised Carus has not supplied me with their emergency plan	8/7/23		
9/28/23	Nicky Priovolos	Law enforcement reports, video, and audio tapes related to a traffic accident on Interstate 80	Mis-directed request. Records are not in our possession.	9/28/23		

HMEP Grant Updates

I. No updates

LEPC Support Update - No updates

Citizen Corps

• Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) – Volunteer pool has been reduced and the Health Department has plans to reach out to various organizations and IVCC to recruit new volunteers. Narcan training is on-going with local law enforcement and school administration due to new State of Illinois requirements.

New Business

Plant/Pipeline/LaSalle Peru Utica Community Advisory Panel (LPU CAP) Updates

- Coogee– plant is operational and plans to expand its operation
- Epsilyte one year without a recordable injury and seven years with no lost work time. They did have a vent to the atmosphere releasing about 1 pound of product on August 23.
- Hospitals All hospital EMA programs are going to regionalize.
- Sabic Four recordable injuries (2 lost time) and zero environmental issues.

Presentation was given by Jeph Bassett from the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Presentation was focused on the NFPA 704 Standard

Discussion was held regarding the combination of the LEPC with the LaSalle County Emergency Management Advisory Committee. LEPC member present were receptive to combining the two meetings into one.

LEPC Plan revisions were discussed. Only minor changes were incorporated that didn't affect the overall structure of the plan

The schedule for the 2024 LEPC meetings was established on the second Wednesday in the month of January, April, July and October.

Next Meeting January 10, 2023 @ 11:00am

Respectfully,

Fred Moore LaSalle County Emergency Management Agency Director