



## MINUTES OF LEPC MEETING –December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020

### LOCATION:

Montgomery County Public Safety Training Center  
1175 Conshohocken Road  
Conshohocken, PA 19428

### ATTENDANCE:

#### LEPC Members:

Jim Fry, Thomas Garrity, George Dula, James Leary, Michael Jones, Armand Alessi.

#### OEP Staff:

Bev Stemple, Brandon Pursell, Jason Wilson, Jack Zabinski

### CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chairman Fry the meeting to order at 13:00 hrs. The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made by Brandon Pursell and seconded by Mike Jones to accept the meeting minutes for November 11, 2020 meeting as submitted/amended. The question was called for, asked, and approved.

### GUESTS:

Erin McDermott, Todd Stieritz, Eric Weisbrod

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mr. Zabinski reported that there are 12 LEPC Positions that remain vacant including Code Enforcement, County Planning Commission, County Risk Officer, Local Elected Official, State Elected Official, Local Government, Outreach, VOAD, and Subject Facilities.

Mr. Zabinski recommended that James Gable from PA American Water, Lindsay Griffiths from GSK, and Linda Cardos from PECO, and Eric Weisbrod all as subject facility representatives. Mr. Zabinski noted that Mr. Weisbrod was logged on the meeting as a visitor. Additionally, Mr. Zabinski recommended that the County Risk officer Meghan Brown and DPS Public Affairs Coordinator Todd Stieritz be contacted to provide representation for their respective positions. Solicitor Lee Soltysiak and the County Commissioners will be contacted to provide recommendations for the County Planning Commission and local and state elected officials and a local government official.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **The following committees have nothing to report:**

Transportation, Law Enforcement, Media, Local Government, Administration, Emergency Medical Services, and Finance

### **Hazardous Materials**

Ms. Stemple reported that preparations were underway for the beginning of the next reporting cycle for Reporting Year 2020. Pennsylvania PATTS sent out information regarding filing for the next reporting year to active facilities. Ms. Stemple reported that there would likely be a few facilities that would not be compliant including one that rarely updates the hazard plan and on that has not filed a new Tier II Report.

Mr. Zabinski reported that as of December 7<sup>th</sup>, there is a total income of \$132,275.00 of SARA revenue. Mr. Zabinski added that there is an additional \$3,932.18 in HazMat reimbursement. There are a total of 454 reporting facilities in Montgomery County that have submitted their Annual Tier II Report.

Mr. Pursell reported that eight new Hazardous Materials Technicians were brought onto the team in 2020 bringing the total number on the team to 33. It was also reported that the foam was ordered to replenish the Abington Trailer following the Shorty's U Pull It Junkyard fire. Additionally, the new Agilent Resolve instrument was delivered, and 6 team members were scheduled to complete a train the trainer course on the instrument.

Finally, Mr. Pursell reported that there would be an end of year review for the team this evening, December 8<sup>th</sup> and a foam chiefs meeting was scheduled for December 9<sup>th</sup> 2020.

### **Emergency Management**

Mr. Wilson reported that Municipal Emergency Plans were still in the process of being updated. Additionally, DPS is again re-engaged with COVID operations every Tuesday and Thursday to assist in the case resurgence and vaccinations. Finally, Mr. Wilson advised that Tom Sullivan was set to retire with Mike Vest named as the interim director.

### **Fire and Rescue Services**

Mr. Jones reported that the fire chief's association met two weeks ago with the main discussion related to the new radio system. The foam is being replenished and National foam ensured that continuing to utilize universal gold foam was safe. The cost of Universal Gold was approximately \$17-18,000 with the cost of replacement with Universal Green being approximately \$23-24,000.

### **Public Health**

Ms. McDermott reported that the Office of Public Health continued with COVID Vaccination planning including plans for nine drive through test sites and associated staffing plans.

## **ADDITIONAL REPORTS:**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

None

## **VISITOR COMMENTS:**

No Comments

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

February 9, 2020 at 13:00 hrs.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Jim Fry and Seconded by Bev Stemple to adjourn the Montgomery County LEPC meeting for December 8th, 2020. The meeting was adjourned at 13:25hrs.