

WASHINGTON COUNTY L.E.P.C. MEETING MINUTES
November 15, 2011

Chairperson Rosie Spartz called the meeting to order at 10:03 A.M. at the Washington County Sheriff's Department EOC/Training room.

Affidavit of posting was read.

Roll call was taken with the following in attendance: Margaret Anderson, Phil Laubenheimer, Rob Schmid, Paul Sebo, Rosie Spartz, and Paul Stephans.

Guests in attendance: Chris Goldbach – Cambridge Major Laboratories

Excused: Brian Dederich, Ron Krauss, Darryl Pree, Steve Smith, Judy Steinert, Jim Vest and Linda Walter.

LEPC members not in attendance: Duane Cline, Jim Creegan and Dale Schmidt.

Paul Stephans moved to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2011 meeting as written. Seconded by Margaret Anderson. Motion carried.

LEPC Membership: No changes noted but Rob will investigate if a representative from Barton Solvents wants to join. Findings will be discussed at the next meeting.

LEPC Planning Committee reports by Judy Steinert and Rob Schmid:

Cambridge Major Laboratories, Inc. – Germantown Update Off Site Plan
Move to approve by Paul Stephans after two minor changes are made to page 4. Seconded by Phil Laubenheimer. Motion carried.

Weasler Engineering – West Bend NEW Off Site Plan
Move to approve by Rosie Spartz. Seconded by Paul Sebo. Motion carried.

Discuss planning considerations related to proposed new Off-Site planning facilities in Washington County:

Discussed the recent efforts of Washington Co. EM and WEM to clarify the status of the Niphos Coatings facility in Slinger, (a current planning facility). We believe the facility is closed and no chemicals remain on site but all efforts by local and state EM, the Village of Slinger or the Slinger FD to contact listed owners to confirm that fact have been unsuccessful. The state will now attempt to get permission to do a site inspection before removing the facility from our planning list.

WEM approval report for the following facilities:

Cargill Texturizing Solutions – Germantown	Oct. 3, 2011
We Energies Power Plant – Germantown	Oct. 3, 2011

Other Off Site Plans Potentially Affecting Washington County

None received this quarter.

Spills/Releases

Four incidents were discussed:

- 10/28 - GFD reported a small gasoline spill resulting from an MVA on S/B 41/45 north of Mequon Rd. The spill area was in the median and gravel shoulder area and GFD used emulsifier and flushed the area. No waterway was impacted and the DNR was not notified.
- 10/31 – We Energies reported a mineral oil spill of approx. 35 gals. from a transformer in Jackson. They believe the transformer may have been leaking for some time but it was discovered on 10/28. They notified the DNR and hired a clean up contractor.
- 11/8 – Multi vehicle accident involving two semis on S/B 41/45 south of Holy Hill Rd. One of the semis leaked approx. 160 gals. of diesel fuel into the ditch area and surrounding wetlands. A very small milk spill was also controlled. GFD, WC Hazmat, DNR and WC OEM were on scene. DNR later called in Viola to further remediate the site.
- 11/8 – JFD hazmat technicians assisted the Jackson PD with sampling of an unknown substance found during and investigation. The samples were sent to the state lab and the remainder of the substance was packaged for safe handling.

Hazmat Equipment/Computer Grant:

The hazmat team has purchased items eligible under the grant such as 2 new “A” suits, a PID meter and an axle upgrade for the trailer. The last purchases will be made prior to the end of the year.

Conferences/ Training

Three sessions of hazmat technician refresher class were held at the West Bend FD on Sept. 7, 13 and 15. The 2012 training funds grant from the state has been awarded in the amount of \$8000.00.

Hazmat Team Update

The team committee has set the 2012 training and meeting schedule.

A team sub-committee is exploring ways to better integrate the teams from Washington and Ozaukee counties during responses and trainings.

Clean Sweep Program Update:

Paul Sebo reported on the second collection event of 2011, held on Saturday, 10/15/11. A handout of the results from both 2011 events was distributed.

A grant to fund next year’s program was awarded which will supplement county funding. Two events are planned for 2012.

Unfinished Business

Rob Schmid passed around a copy of the commodity flow study done in Washington Co. over the summer. Some of the findings were discussed. Flammable liquids are by far the most common commodity transported in Washington Co.

Member's Concerns

A member asked if there was capability in the county to detect "sewer gas". The answer is yes as most (if not all) of the fire departments in the county as well as the hazmat team have 4-gas detectors that have a sensor for hydrogen sulfide - aka sewer gas.

Information and a web link on the 25th anniversary of the EPCRA program was handed out.

Public Comments

None

The next meeting will be February 21, 2012 at 10:00 AM. at the WCSD EOC/Training room. This will be the annual meeting and the Vice-Chair and Secretary positions are up for election. Rosie Spartz moved to adjourn at 11:20 AM. Seconded by Paul Stephans. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Anderson
LEPC Secretary