

2022 McPherson County LEPC Meetings and Training Summary

January 10th: Exec. LEPC Team Meeting with Tim Gablehouse LEPC Legal Council

- Discussed “All Hazards” responsibilities of LEPC
 - Reviewed standards for planning process
 - Characteristics of effective planning process
 - State Level – Immunity for LEPC Members: Training and Emergency
 - Kansas TORT Claims Act
 - Stafford Act Implications
 - FEMA Guidance 101 – Elected Officials/Leaders responsibilities
 - ASTM-How to coordinate and work with LEPC
 - What does effective Emergency Mgmt. look like
 - Jump Starting LEPC/Post COVID. What are the requirements vs. Best Practice

March 8th: Follow up Conference Call with Tim Gablehouse

- Discussed our LEPC direction forward – post COVID. How to reboot the process
- Discussed establishing a game plan to continue the momentum that was discussed during the January meeting with Tim.
- Engaging our community and its resources.

March 21st: LEPC Exec. Team/McPherson Legion Member Discussion.

- Start talks on Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Opportunities.

March 23rd: LEPC Exec. Team Working Session – held at Cedars

- Discussed opportunities for engaging the community and organizations to proactively prepare communities throughout the county for emergency preparedness.

April 25th: City Commission LEPC Discussion

- Shared vision for LEPC and Community Outreach. Verified the city supports our vision and direction forward knowing this will be a long process.

May 12th: Post Commission LEPC Exec. Team Discussion

- Discussed the planning of June Table-top train derailment scenario.

May 25th: LEPC Exec. Team Meeting:

Current Business:

Work Session with Tim Gablehouse – After Actions, tasked to the Private Sector Members of the LEPC. Update of Actions complete: ○ All Hazards Oversight – Based on current McPherson County LEPC Mission Statement. ***Discuss Exec. Committee support for the continuation of this mission.***

- Verify risks to our community – current status; Tools - RMP, Tier II Information, CAMEO, NRC, etc. 18 RMP Facilities within our community
- 211 releases reported to NRC in 2021
Community outreach – Legion, Church Representation, Senior Care Representation, City Commission? Brainstorm other Organizations, Agencies, Business/Industry, etc.
- Evaluate the ability of our community to handle risk associated with large-scale events. Initial Training Session to evaluate “SWOT” strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats of our community to adequately handle a large-scale event. (Recently held Chemical Release Table-Top Training Session) Get the discussion re-started!
- Identify GAPS and start brainstorming opportunities for improvement.

- Discuss, Review and Communicate findings with community/county commissions and educate them on the importance of preparedness. Solicit support for further development.
- Future Growth - Develop Awareness Programs and Preparedness for Emergencies at the local level. Examples: • Community Outreach. What is their understanding, concerns, etc.?
- Identify community advocates/champions at various levels within our community.
- Build community consensus, diverse community/teams in support of Emergency Management. (Top-Down oversight approach). Examples: LEPC, VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (with support from FEMA), CERT – Citizens Emergency Response Teams (with support from FEMA). RENO Co. is an example of community support and success for these programs.
- Implement a Plan-Do-Check-Act approach for continuous improvement.
 - **(Group Discussion) Assign action items accordingly to support meeting success.**
Table-Top Training Summary
Identify the need for elections
Update of by-laws
- Revisit 2019 Sub-Group Committees, • Enhancing Everbridge Countywide Reverse 911 Mass Notification System
 - Enhancing the McPherson County LEPC Website
 - LEPC Recruitment/Marketing Campaign
 - Training/Tours/Guest Speaker Opportunities
- Finalized June Table-top.

New Business Continued

Finalize July 12th, 2022 LEPC Post COVID Kick Off Members Meeting – CHS to host.

Possible July Kick Off Meeting Topics:

- Enhancing Everbridge Countywide Reverse 911 Mass Notification System: Julie McClure/Tim Hawkinson – Co-Chair
- Enhancing the McPherson County LEPC Website: John Verssue - Chairperson
- LEPC Recruitment/Marketing Campaign: Scott Swanson – Chairperson
- Training/Tours/Guest Speaker Opportunities: LaMonte Rothrock/Tim Hawkinson – Co-Chair, etc.

Old Action Item Update:

- Revisit individual Exec. Team Responsibilities: Scribe,
- Update on Radio Program – Julie/Discussion:
- Update on MABAS – Andy/Discussion:
- Update of LEPC By-laws to incorporate change of responsibilities. **(Discussion to update as written, or establish alternate direction forward)**
- Continue to update current LEPC Roster. **(Current Progress). Assign a Champion to coordinate**
- Develop Resource List for County Agencies and Support Groups. **Assign a Champion to coordinate**
- CAMEO Software Training for members of the LEPC and 1st Responders **Assign a Champion to coordinate**
- Assign/Review new Action Items from today's Meeting:

June 9th: Table-Top Training – Train Derailment held at Cedars

- Facilitated Tabletop – Charlie Keeton, Facilitator, DeAnn Konkel, Jim Leftwich, Evaluators.
 - Module 1: Initial Response
 - Module 2: Community Response
 - Module 3: Ongoing Operations
 - After Actions: McPherson County LEPC will continue to identify potential impacts on our community, continued education and awareness for our citizens, Capability GAP Analysis – understanding the risk, Prioritizing the GAPS – Implementing preparation measures accordingly, Develop Resource List – Non-Emergency Response Support and work to develop Community Support Programs – VOAD/CERT.

June 22nd: LEPC Exec. Team Meeting

- Reviewed June Table-top. Strengths of the training, opportunities, after action assignments from the training.
- Final plans for the July 12th LEPC General Meeting

July 6th: LEPC Exec. Team Meeting

- Prep for 7/12 General Meeting – finalize agenda

July 12th: LEPC July General Meeting

Introductions:

Agencies, Organizations, Industry, Private Business, Private Citizens, Other

LEPC Expectations – Scott Swanson

Dinner *

June 2022 Table-Top Summary –LaMonte Rothrock

Presentation – Reno County, "Lessons Learned"

Adam Weishaar, Reno County Emergency Manager

Public Input

Planning – 2022/2023 Look Ahead - Small Table Breakout Session

Community Outreach – Member Engagement – Meeting Times

Training Opportunities – Resources – Communication

August 1st: LEPC Chair meeting with Butler County Emergency Manager and HF Sinclair Refinery – Networking opportunity.

October 19th: LEPC Exec. Team Meeting

- Continued progress from our session with Tim Gablehouse from January 10th.
 - Community involvement
 - Training opportunities
 - Marketing of LEPC
 - Re-visit Website Development
 - Proactive relationship building with Industry, Business, Organizations, Agencies.
 - After action planning from July Tabletop

November 21st: City Commission – LEPC Work Session

- Reviewed the Civic Plus Software proposal and discussed possible solutions should the city move in that direction. Additional discussion will take place outside of meeting on possible funding.

December: No meetings.