



## MINUTES OF MONROE COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Meeting of May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

### MEETING HELD IN-PERSON AND VIRTUALLY

Meetings now open for in person attendance and also presented virtually via "Go to Meeting" for those who wish to attend virtually.

Chairman Edinger called the meeting to order at 12:00

Pledge of Allegiance - Roll Call

Present: Belvin, Black, Craven, Edinger, Frederick, Keegan, Knapp, Kramer, Laverdure, Ulanoski, Wallen, Weimer

Virtual: Barzev, Dickinson

Excused: Harrison, Ringheiser, Zipp

Absent: Austin, Dewitt, Dickinson, Ferro, Fetterly, Fetzer, Fittos, Gibbs, Harley, Meinhart, Miller, Murphy, J. Murray, T. Murray, Roberts, Rosario, Sargent, Smith, Traino, Winowich

Guests: James Franklin, Stephen Wagner, Stephen Sheridar, Rex Hepner, Julia Sherer, Michael Stalneckner, George Gass, Scott Alyesworth

The minutes of the February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting were distributed.

Motion to accept minutes as distributed – Belvin / Wallen – Motion carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

No Correspondence were reported.

### **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Finance**

Statement balance as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 - \$54,720.36

Income – \$6,361.49 Expenses – \$9,244.95

Fund Balance as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 - \$54,720.36

Motion to accept Report – Commissioner Laverdure/ Weimer – Motion carried.

#### **Public Education**

Director Keegan reported that roughly 300 people attended Public Safety Day.

#### **Compliance/Regulatory**

##### **a) Off Site Plan Status**

Keegan asked for a motion to accept the 80/20 match for the HMEP grant that will be used to send members to the Hazmat conference and purchase the Hazmat training package through Bucks County Community College. Motion was made by Wallen / Belvin – Motion carried

**b) Tier II Reports**

Frederick reported that the only unbilled companies are those who have not reported.

**c) Compliance**

Stalnecker reported that the annual assessments were due on 3/1 and that all 67 counties submitted and are currently under review. All state Hazmat teams were also recertified in January.

**d) Emergency Response Preparedness**

Nothing to report

**OEM DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Keegan reports the following responses in the last quarter as follows:

1. Grant Discussion: We received more than expected from the HMRF grant and we are currently finalizing a plan to purchase drain covers.
2. Personnel Change: Christina Rosario has left the office and Samantha Elliott has been hired as the departments new Emergency Preparedness Planner.
3. The office recently wrapped up the resource tour which included all of the county fire, EMS, and search and rescue agencies.
4. The LEPC will not be reimbursed for the chemical suicide incident back in July of 2022.

**GUEST PRESENTATIONS**

1. Scott Aylesworth reported on Susquehanna Counties foam disposal and buyback program that they are currently finishing.

**INPUT FROM LEPC MEMBERS**

Several members expressed concerns with the professionalism and response times of the counties current Hazmat team, DATOM Products. It was recommended that the organization brings in other Hazmat teams during the next LEPC meeting and reevaluates the team.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**LEPC CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

Edinger thanked all of the members who made the Monroe County Public Safety day a success.

**NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, August 1, 2023 at noon.

**MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT**

Edinger / Wallen - unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,  
Timothy D. Knapp Jr.  
Secretary