SOUTHWEST FLORIDA
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes of August 22, 2019

The Southwest Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) met at the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (1400 Colonial Blvd, Suite 1, Fort Myers, FL 33907). The following members were present during the proceedings which began at 9:30 a.m.

LEPC Members Present
Lina Cerquera, FDEP
John Findley, Sonic Automotive
Todd Kerkering, City of Sarasota Police Department
Rick Pardo, Lee County Mosquito Control
Bruce Porter, LEPC Chair
Kim Rider, Enterprise
Kenrick Roguska, Charlotte County Sheriff’s Office
Jason Wilkins, Sarasota County Fire Department
Teresa Zilko, Lee County Risk Management – LEPC Vice Chair

Others Present
Greg Fisher, LeeHealth
John Gountas, FDOH Glades County
Alexis Kaminski, PGT Custom Windows & Doors,
C.J. Kammerer, Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council – LEPC Coordinator
Brian Massey, LeeHealth
Michael Seneca, Charlotte County Fire-EMS
Wanda Short, LeeHealth
Ashley York, Flood Zone Disaster Recovery Solutions
Logan York, Flood Zone Disaster Recovery Solutions

AGENDA ITEM #1
Invocation

Mr. Findley gave an invocation.

AGENDA ITEM #2
Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Porter led the pledge of allegiance.
AGENDA ITEM #3
Call to Order & Introductions

Chairman Porter called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Each member was asked to introduce themselves.

AGENDA ITEM #4
Minutes of the February 28, 2019 Meeting

Chairman Porter entertained a motion to accept the draft LEPC meeting minutes of the May 23, 2019 meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Findley to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2019 LEPC meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kerkering and passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #5
Thomas Yatabe Award Nominations

Mr. Kammerer announced that the LEPC will be accepting nominations for the Thomas Yatabe Awards. These awards signify outstanding contribution made in the implementation and support of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act through achievement(s), accomplishment(s) or superior participation in hazardous material planning or response. Nominations are due to Mr. Kammerer by September 6. One nomination from the SWFL District will receive the award. All other nominees will receive certificates of appreciation.

AGENDA ITEM #6
LEPC Membership

The proposed LEPC membership changes were as follows:

Additions:
- Sean Alley (Alt), Sarasota Memorial Hospital
- Ioannis (John) Gountas (Alt), Florida Department of Health in Hendry and Glades Counties
- Brian Massey (Alt), LeeHealth
- Steve Moyer (Alt), Sarasota Memorial Hospital
Deletions

- Debbie Duff, Sarasota Memorial Hospital
- Julia McKeon (Alt), FDEP

A motion was made by Mr. Kerker to approve the LEPC membership changes as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Zilko and passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #7
LEPC Meeting Schedule & Locations

Mr. Kammerer reviewed the upcoming schedule of SWF LEPC meetings and Statewide SERC meetings. The next SWF LEPC meeting is scheduled for December 5. Mr. Kammerer asked for a volunteer to host the next meeting. There were no volunteers, so Mr. Kammerer has scheduled the meeting to occur at the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (1400 Colonial Blvd, Suite 1, Fort Myers, FL 33907).

AGENDA ITEM #8
2019 HazMat Symposium

Mr. Kammerer announced that the HazMat Symposium will be occurring from January 21-24 in Daytona Beach. Registration is not active yet, but Mr. Kammerer will forward the registration link and training agenda when they become available. The LEPC plans on allocating $20,000 to the Symposium (the same as last year). He urged attendees to register early, as rooms are limited at the Symposium hotel. The feedback received by last year’s participants was overwhelmingly positive.

AGENDA ITEM #9
Southwest Florida LEPC Training Subcommittee Report

Mr. Kammerer informed the Committee that since the last LEPC meeting, a HazMat Tech course was completed by North Collier Fire & Rescue and a Tox Medic Course was completed by the Fort Myers Fire Department. Chief Seneca added that the Charlotte County Fire Department will be hosting two upcoming HMEP courses: a LP/NG course on September 18 and a 406 Emergency course on November 15. Captain Wilkins gave an update on the HMEP sponsored full-scale exercise planned in Sarasota County. Later today, Captain Wilkins will be meeting with the Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport (SRQ) to secure their involvement in the exercise.

AGENDA ITEM #10
Tier II Reporting and E-Plan Update

No report was given.
AGENDA ITEM #11
Florida SERC Training Task Force (TTF) Update

The last TTF Meeting was held in Sarasota on July 18. Mr. Kammerer gave a summary of the meeting. Four SOGs and SOPs (Gas Cylinders & Containers; Radiological; Safety & Health for Hazmat; and Emergencies involving Corrosives) were recently completed. The final seven should be completed before the October SERC meeting. A letter was sent to NOVA Southeastern to develop and modify their current maritime HazMat training.

AGENDA ITEM #12
Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) Trainings and Events

Chairman Porter explained that on the State’s website http://trac.floridadisaster.org/trac/trainingcalendar.aspx there is the calendar of events and trainings that are available.

AGENDA ITEM #13
Hazardous Material Incidents in Southwest Florida

Chairman Porter explained that on the State’s website https://apps.floridadisaster.org/swo/ArchiveNonAdmin.aspx there is a running list of hazardous materials incidents by county.

AGENDA ITEM #14
Florida State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) Meeting Update

The last SERC Meeting was held in Sarasota on July 19. Mr. Kammerer gave a summary of the meeting. John (J.W.) Scott was hired by FDEM to handle all the States HazMat team assessments for the upcoming year. This is for all teams in the State, not just those funded by the State. The LEPCs handled this responsibility last year. There was a presentation given on HazMat supply chains. The PowerPoint slides to that presentation are in the LEPC packet. EPA has updated the List-Of-Lists for the first time since 2015. The State’s How-To-Comply Manuel will be updated to reflect EPA’s changes.

AGENDA ITEM #15
Members’ Comments

Chief Seneca asked if it was possible to hold a hybrid 160 course in the next HMEP year. Mr. Kammerer will send that request to the training subcommittee for review.
AGENDA ITEM #16
Public Comments
There were no public comments.

AGENDA ITEM #17
Next Meeting
The next meeting was scheduled for December 5, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. at the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (1400 Colonial Blvd, Suite 1, Fort Myers, FL 33907).

AGENDA ITEM #18
Adjournment
There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 10:05 a.m. by Chairman Porter.

Chairman Bruce Porter Approval Date

The meeting was duly advertised in the August 7, 2019 issue of the Florida Administrative Register, Volume 45, Number 153.