

Oscoda County
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) & Local Planning Team (LPT)
Minutes of October 17, 2018

Met at Commissioner's Mtg Rm 105 Court St Mio, MI 48647

MEMBERS/ Reps from

Present : (LEPC Chair & Fire) Duane Roddy ; (BOC) Larry Wilson; (Communications/RACES) Don Hosmer ; (EMC/Secretary) Elizabeth (Buffy)Carr ; (Public Health) Cori Upper ; (Red +) Al Bickford
Guests: Chris Barbb

Called to order by Duane Roddy at 1:20pm
Introductions were made

MOTION by Al Bickford for Approval of Agenda & previous Minutes from July 2018 as emailed
MOTION CARRIED

Correspondence From Consumer's was emailed & available in hard copy regarding the equipment recommended by Region 3 Confined Space Team following the tabletop exercise several years ago for extrication of a person in the lower maintenance areas of Mio Hydroelectric Dam. Discussion followed

MOTION by Larry Wilson supported by Al Bickford that the grant that Consumer's is willing to pursue & the equipment/grant shall go to TriTown Fire, unless they decline it; then it will go to Luzerne FD, which heads HazMat for Oscoda County
MOTION CARRIED

17/18 & 18/19 HMEP Grant status update – 17/18 Grant Report was submitted Match to the documented is expected per Carr The 18/19 beginning paperwork is expected in January.

Merit Tier II Reports from: Sites #: 6326 ; 19951 ; 20855 ; 20856 ; 20857 ; 20858 ; 20859 ; & 20607 were reviewed

HazMat County Budget Section: Per Carr & Roddy we really need to start utilizing this for training & exercise as it counts as HMEP matching & our time as match at LEPC meetings keeps falling short of the \$1,000 match; so we are short-changing ourselves as a county. Roddy spoke to a trainer at the State Fire Mashall Office from the LARA Training Division to begin arranging bringing some training here.

Airport: Per Larry Wilson town meeting style openhouse being planned regarding lights, tanks etc. Larry will make sure that we know the dates when available. Helicopter pad is open for use 30x400' property on northside being changed over from DNR to County. New plan for a grant for about 20 more hangars. 6 rental hangars will be available. Flight instructor potentially available. Sealing of pavement was recently completed. On Oct 24th Larry will be taking the MDOT

Airport Management test. Dave Kauffman will be having hip surgery soon, & Dave is retiring next year.

New Business:

PFAS: Info was presented by Upper that PFAS is potentially a statewide problem is various locations that Class B Foam has been used to fight fires & sites where manufacturers used PFAS in their products, & of course waste sites. The Governor has decreed that every municipal water system & every school 's water shall be tested, & that each county needs a PFAS Response Plan in the coming year. Our county has not been done just yet. Not sure when it will be, but it is likely to be soon. Sample collection process is critical, because things in the environment, such as carpet fibers, can skew results to higher parts per trillion. There are only 3 labs in the nation with testing equipment. The DEQ rep, Loren Curtis told 3rd District EMC's recently that the state is working towards having testing capability. The cost of that capability (equipment, & training) is about 2 million dollars, per Buffy.

Kent County Health Dept found no increase of any cancer, except for an increase of prostate cancer in the area of contaminated wells near the Parchment site. Conversely the Prostate cancer rates in the overall area had gone down in the last 10 years.

The well by the football field at Oscoda Schools is contaminated due to extinguishing the tire fire as well as 30-50 homes with wells near the school. Other wells at the school were considered negative. That school connected to municipal water last week. Several states have set their regulations of acceptable levels considerably lower than MI set theirs. For example: NJ limit is 5ppt while MI limit is 70ppt (parts per trillion).

To the best of his knowledge testing has not yet occurred in Oscoda County, but it will be. Based upon current results in municipal water systems, the State estimates 1.9 million people in MI are drinking water above the 70ppt threshold. PFOA is Teflon & PFOS is Scotchguard, & are the 2 PFAS's we know the most about. Those have been discontinued in the US, but are not in many countries that we get products from. Various PFAS are in many many products. It is designed not to breakdown over time.

Meeting schedule for 2018/2019 (based upon State fiscal yr/HMEP) 1pm on: Oct 17,18; Jan, 23,19; April 17,19; July 17,19

MOTION by Larry Wilson to Adjourn LEPC at 2:03pm

--- Local Planning Team ---

Called to Order by Cori Upper at 2:04pm

Representatives as above:

Guests: as above

Chris Barbb expanded upon introduction. As EC of Ogemaw County, he came today to look at the HAM Radio equipment in the Emergency Mgmt Office, & advise on function & potential improvements.

MOTION by Wilson to approve agenda & minutes of July 2018 support A1

MOTION CARRIED

Standing Reports

- a. Red + - Bickford presented info on Red + response in Florida & NC. 179 people have been sent to North Carolina AI was there last week.
- b. Amateur Radio – Hosmer presented info that he got office keys today. That may not include a current key for the exterior of building. Plan to develop plan to recruit local volunteers. Want to request through the Region 3 Aux Com Committee for improvements via HSGP. Chris added that Ogemaw Oscoda Arenac ARES supports each other very nicely; so people would respond via those for a disaster. The HF improvements @ \$1,200 was said to be on the approved back-up list of grant projects per the Fiduciary Agent at the Oct R3HSPB per Carr. She contacted AI right after that for what that project entails. That is part of what Chris can help try to determine today.
- c. HCC Planning Board – Upper presented info that there will be a training in Jan & exercise in April that all healthcare facilities & em Mgmt are encouraged to participate in. HCC has been developing plans to put HAM radio equipment in all longterm care & all other healthcare facilities & help facilitate HAM Technician & higher training. The hospitals in Region 3 all have that.
- d. CERT – Upper presented info on VRC Training in Jan & starting Basic CERT Training in beginning in Jan by Carr.
- e. Emergency Management Report: - Carr
 1. Hazard Mitigation Plan Update: Planning Grant Awarded to us in conjunction with NEMCOG. Contact person is Diane Rekowski 989-705-3734 drekowski@nemcog.org She is on vacation until Thurs. (Note: make sure it is LPT NOT LEPC time used for match & make sure Resolution of Adoption wording, when it is time for that , is Local Planning Team, NOT the LEPC, which is specifically for HazMat topics)

2. Homeland Security Grant Reports - Carr

FY16

Via LETPA \$10,890 800mHz radios at Sheriff Dept Approved & Purchased
Reimbursement Status? : Info Kevin

FY16 CERT Funds for VRC Kits & Weather Radios fronted by other counties

~ \$10,000 Disaster Recovery Kit AAF fully approved this week

R3CCP Conference Oct 21 & 22, 2017 COMPLETE: funds fronted by other counties

No 2018 Conference due to International EMC Conference in MI in Oct paired with MEMA Planning a March 2019 Conference will begin in Nov.

FY17

~ \$27,281.13 (increased from original 26,745) Court Building Security

Improvements: portable metal detector, wands, chip reader doors, & possible entryway addition (with any portion being optional) for Courthouse Annex (where the Courts are) AAF submitted Approved at Region State approval pending

The HF antenna that has been on our wish-list made its way to the Region 3 Back-up Project List per Carr.

Existing Priorities:

Ice Rescue Equipment for TriTown FD (\$amt? Dave Stencil)

Sirens for Fairgrounds, Comins, & Luzerne, & McKinley

IP Video Cameras at new County Building & schools

800mHz radios on school buses

\$(?) was it IP video cameras or computer related upgrades at Sheriff Dept (Dan or Kevin?)

No other additions answered the call for that today

The Animals In Disaster Annex was discussed. Each member was asked to read through the proposed version & prepare to complete it in January.

Cori presented info that each county is going to be expected to have a PFAS Response Plan in the coming year. Carr & Upper will look for templates & lessons learned on this in the coming 2 quarters to develop our Plan from. Plan development will be a LEPC Topic & final approval a LPT Motion.

Cori presented info & discussion was held regarding the liability provisions for volunteers discovered in the recent disaster in Houghton County. It is our intention within the next year to collect info from that response regarding county acceptance of liability of volunteers & how it worked there & present to the County for a Planning purposes. Public Act 390, discussion with the County's insurance carrier etc were further discussed. Cori & Buffy intend to collect, review, & present that information. Don added that the Worker's Comp Act of 1965 shows that volunteers are covered. The Prep Act at the federal level provides medical protections in a disaster.

Meetings: following LEPC on: (1pm) as above

MOTION by Wilson to Adjourn at 2:40pm

Minutes recorded by Elizabeth (Buffy) Carr, LVT, EMC