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## **NOTICE OPEN MEETING LEPC GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Date: Thursday, April 21, 2022

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Location: PCS Training Room

Lunch: Dining by Design

### **AGENDA**

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Ralph Siccama at 12:01 p.m.

The General Committee meeting minutes of October 21, 2021, meeting was shared. J D Landon made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Ron Bailey seconded the motion. A vote was held and passed to approve the minutes.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Karen presented the Financial Statement Report with a total of \$3,039.76 spent to date leaving a balance of \$32,086.03. Hard copies were available. Discussion was had regarding Logan Rogersville hazmat physicals not being submitted for reimbursement. Brian Athen volunteered to reach out to LR for comment.

Karen provided the results of the February Executive Committee election which was held as a virtual survey during the February meeting time. Ralph Siccama was voted as Chair, Lisa Cardone and Brian Athen were voted for Member-at-Large. They are all for 2-year terms.

There was no MERC update as the MERC meeting is today.

Regional HAZMAT and WMD Planning Update was provided, there were 3 spills since the last meeting, all 3 being traffic related. Avian Flu has been detected in birds in at least 3 counties in Troop D now.

TEPW & Training Update was provided by Larry, there is a MERC 101 training being held June 1 – all were encouraged to attend. A hard copy of the Training Times was available to all in attendance. The TEPW is scheduled for May 4 at eh PSC and must be in a TEP by June. There will be a Hazmat TTX with CU and send Aubrey any questions or information by email response. Also let Aubrey know of your training needs.

New trainings continue to be added – keep checking the SEMA website and if anyone knows of other training opportunities let Aubrey, Larry or Darren know and they will be added to the training newsletter.





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Ralph called for other Old Business. None was brought forth.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Southern Star presented on Natural Gas pipeline. Gary Tolle and Bill McLaughlin were the presenters for the meeting. They discussed the pipeline, the pipeline pressure, the pipeline map, how to ask for a dig with calling 811. They educated on how to recognize a leak with sight, sound and smell. The pipeline is marked with yellow markers. If you find a leak do not turn it off at a valve, make a safe zone and call it in to Southern Star they have quick response teams, and this will eliminate damage delays down the road. Some don'ts are operate a Southern Star valve, drive into a leak, if burning-let it burn so they can know where the gas is present. The Southern Star control center is in Owensberg, Kentucky and they can run remote tests to look for potential leaks by pressure changes, Southern Star also have "Pigs" they can send through the pipe system looking for damage areas. Southern Star flies the pipeline route every 2 weeks looking for hazards. The Southern Star emergency number is 800 324-9696. Bill and Gary displayed the Southern Star website, provide some swag for a quiz session. Ralph presented a token speaker gift.

Ralph announced the next General Membership Meeting is set for June 16.

Ralph asked for Other New Business.

Larry said they had received the 2021 flow study application. This study involves watching and quantifying rail and highway transportation of hazardous materials moving through the county. Due January 22, 2021. We will add this to the next Executive Committee meeting. Dr. D. J. Johnson of Missouri State University has aided with this study in years past but DJ pass away several weeks ago.

Ralph asked for Other New Business.

Ralph discussed the Greene County Flow Study with the membership. The Flow Study documents were available for members in attendance. We were denied funding for the study from MERC, but we are required to have on completed. Ralph presented the budget for the flow study to be funded from the LEPC, the total proposed cost is \$11,535.00. \$1250.00 was already a budget line item leaving \$10,285.00 unfunded. Ralph asked the membership to consider appropriating this amount from the Personnel budget as Greene County is paying for that this budget year. A motion was made by J D Landon to fund the flow study as proposed; Dennis Martin seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

Ralph asked for Other New Business.





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Brian Athen announced that he has a new position in SFD and no longer with Hazmat. He resigned from his Member-at-Large position. Brian also introduced Chris Roush the new SFD Special Ops Person – Welcome Chris!

An election will be held at the next General Membership meeting so if anyone wants to make a nomination or step up let Karen know.

Ralph asked for Other New Business.

None was brought forth.

Brian Athen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mark Warnow. A vote was held, passed and Ralph adjourned the meeting at 13:04.

Members in attendance were: Ralph Siccama, John Elmore, Karen McKinnis, Larry Woods, Brian Athen, Dennis Martin, Mark Warnow, Eric Johnson, J R Webb, Ron Bailey, Clay Dodson, Travis Fisher, J D Landon, Robbin Sawyer, Michel, Stees, John Waitman, Darren, White, B Boeklin, Chris Gaut, Bill McLaughlin, Gary Tolle, Mark Chager, Shane Anderson, Kenneth Norris, Steve Bussano, and Jeremy Rohrer.

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### **UPCOMING LOCAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

\*note: training opportunities listed here are time and capacity sensitive so are subject to changes

Visit the following link to register or to see a complete and up-to-date course listing.

<http://training.dps.mo.gov/sematraining.nsf/TrainingSchedule?OpenForm>

All registrations will handled through the DPS web portal [training.dps.mo.gov](http://training.dps.mo.gov)

