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# NOTICE OPEN MEETING LEPC GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Thursday, August 15, 2024

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Location: PSC Training Room Lunch: Hy-Vee catering

## **Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Ralph Siccama at 12:01 p.m. Introductions were made around the room.

The General Committee meeting minutes of the June 20, 2024, meeting were shared. J D Landon made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Kenny Norris seconded the motion. A vote was held and passed to approve the minutes.

The July LEPC Executive Committee minutes were also provided to members via the meeting invite.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Karen McKinnis provided the Financial Statement Report: a handout was provided of the budget status. There was total of \$7,405.19 in expenses to date with \$55,884.64 unspent.

There was no MERC or SEMA update.

HAZMAT Update was provided by Darren White and Wendall Hall. The spill line phone number is 574 634-2436. Spills should also be reported to the LEPC. No reported spills in quantity enough to be reported since the last meeting. MDNR is working with a company that bought property with coal tar on site to clean up the area. There was an asphalt sealant spill (<300 gallons) that was cleaned up in the last 2 months.

Aubrey provided the IPP and Training update. Progressive exercises involving our local Chempaks are being laid out now. Mercy has 3 and CoxHealth has one Chempak currently. The first exercise will be a tabletop in January most likely involving organophosphates and terrorism. If anyone wants to be involved in Greene County exercises get with Aubrey.

Aubey provided an update on the HMEP and CEPF grants. HMEP documents have not been received from MERC/SEMA yet but they usually require a fast turnaround. HMEP funding is traditionally used for training and we ask for courses. Typical due date is September 30. If anyone has a course they need/want brought in let Aubrey know. Past course listings were shared with interested members.

The CEPF funding documentation is also expected to arrive soon. When the application draft is ready the Executive Committee will review it then the general membership will be asked to review and approve the application electronically. This is because of the turnaround time and our regular general membership meeting



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dates. Watch for the survey email from Karen.

Ralph called for other Old Business.

None was brought forth.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Training Presentation was provided by Aubrey Johnson: HMEP Training Options and Assessment of Training Needs.

Traditionally MERC has approved and scheduled training courses for the HMEP grant. Aubrey discussed course options and asked for member training needs. Springfield Fire hazmat team is always in need of hazmat tech and refresher classes. The closer the courses are to Springfield the better for staffing and cost of travel. HMEP funds need to be used by November 30 each year. Discussion of other courses included a railroad emergency tech class, but BNSF offers that course free. If there is a change in courses available Aubrey will send out the list. Aubrey asked for any courses of interest not discussed at the meeting to be sent to him. The membership approved Aubrey to make the course application with requests as discussed as the turnaround is expected to be quick as it is usually September 30.

Ralph asked for Other New Business.

None was brought forth.

Ralph announced the next General Membership Meeting is set for October 17, 2024.

Chris Rousch made a motion to adjourn, seconded by J D Landon. A vote was held and passed, and Ralph adjourned the meeting at 12:34 p.m.

#### **UPCOMING LOCAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

\*Note: training opportunities listed here are time and capacity-sensitive so they 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 are handled through the DPS web portal training.dps.mo.gov