



Clermont County Local Emergency Planning Committee

April 26, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Kevin Cooper, Lisa Gatwood, Pam Haverkos, Lisa Herzog, Paul Kamphaus, Tim Kelly, Carl Lamping, Brooke Matzen, Tim Neyer, Jeanette Nichols, Laurie Schlueter, Karl Schultz, and Robert Welch. **Guests:** Doug Baumgartner and Shawn Riley

Call to Order
The meeting began at 1:38 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and introductions.
Approval of the Minutes
A motion was made by Karl Schultz and seconded by Brooke Matzen to adopt the minutes from the January 25, 2018 meeting. The motion passed.
Ongoing Business
Spills: Two spills have been reported since January 25, 2018. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3/13/18 – 931 Round Bottom Road – Union Township – Bzak Landscaping; 44 quarts of motor oil, 25 gallons of hydraulic fluid and 1 gallon of antifreeze into ditch line• 3/14/18 – 1474 Thomaston Drive – Batavia Township – multiple chemicals including potassium ferrocyanide, potassium chloride, potassium carbonate and propane <p>Pam Haverkos informed the committee that there were two instances within the last quarter involving Rumpke trucks had spills. Neither of the leaks were above the reportable quantity, however, Rumpke reported the second spill to the OEPA Spill Line, but not the LEPC or the local Fire Departments. EMA followed up with the reporter and discussed the reporting requirements.</p> <p>During the 2018-2019 fiscal year, SERC is promoting an education campaign to improve spill reporting amongst transporters.</p> <p>Brook Matzen reported that GCHMU had provided two consultations in the Village of New Richmond:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3/6/18 – Administrative consultation for calcium carbonate• 3/7/18 – Assessment of acetylene tanks. The tanks were found to be empty.
Information Requests: EMA has received two information requests since January 25, 2018. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2/21/18 – 459 Wards Corner Road – Miami Township – Westech Environmental Solutions• 3/29/18 – 2016 CAMEO Data & 2017 HazMat Plan – Greater Cincinnati Waterworks
Tier II Reports: The 2017 Chemical Inventory reports were due to SERC, the LEPC and the local Fire Departments by March 1, 2018. To date, LEPC has received 98 Reports, which includes 1 first-time filer, Key Resin Company. We have sent reminder letters to 21 non-filers.

LEPC Exercise:

The 2018 LEPC Exercise was originally scheduled for March 21st. Due to the Ohio River Flooding, it was decided to re-schedule the exercise to April 23rd and revise the scenario to encompass a large HazMat spill during a flood. The objectives tested during this Tabletop exercise were: Notification, Incident Assessment, Incident Command, and Resource Management.

Budget - A copy of the 2018 LEPC budget is attached to the minutes.

State Emergency Response Commission Grant:

- The SFY18 SERC grant period ends June 30, 2018.
- The SFY19 SERC grant period is July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

FY15 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant:

The FY15 SHSP grant period was originally scheduled to end March 31, 2018. Due to large amount of de-obligated funds, OEMA offered a special projects grant to all 88 counties. The grant will close May 31, 2018. This opportunity is limited to portable radios, mobile radios, and in-car repeaters.

EMA applied for radios on behalf of the local Fire/EMS and Law Enforcement agencies in the amount of \$49,999.99. Clermont received an award in the amount of \$37,300.20. The purchase includes six mobile radios and 15 portable radios with extra batteries. The orders have been placed and all equipment is scheduled to be received and invoices processed by the grant end date of May 31st. EMA has committed to applying for future grant opportunities if they become available.

FY16 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant:

The FY16 SHSP grant performance period is September 1, 2016 through February 28, 2019. The southwest region was awarded \$535,032.93. Hamilton County EMA is the Grant Administrative Agency.

IPAWS Project: Contracts have been signed by all counties included in this project. Dominick Daulton of the Department of Public Safety Services will be main point of contact for the CodeRed and IPAWS project. FEMA has strict regulations on how and when the IPAWS system can be used. EMA will be working with Dominick and DPSS on setting up Standard Operating Guideline and provide training to the Dispatchers.

FY17 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant:

The FY17 SHSP grant performance period is September 1, 2017 through March 31, 2020. The southwest region is slated to receive \$706,713.45. Hamilton County EMA will be the Grant Administrative Agency. Hamilton County will be working with Ohio EMA as some of the submitted projects were deemed ineligible.

Project Name	Submitted by:	Disc.	Submission	Funding
Tri-County interoperable radio communications	Brown Co. 9-1-1	COMM	\$97,473.00	\$97,473.00
Regional MCI Trailer Project	HC EMA	EMS	\$26,429.40	\$26,429.40
Command 400 - laptops	GCHMU	FS	\$9,300.00	\$9,300.00
Command 400 - cameras	GCHMU	FS	\$6,282.00	\$6,282.00

Bomb Suit Replacement	BCSO	EOD	\$280,000.00	\$210,000.00
HazMat - Butler / GCHMU	BCEMA	HM	\$130,000.00	\$130,000.00
FTIR Spectroscopy Identifier	CFD	HM	\$76,450.00	\$76,450.00
Scalable Mosaic, X-ray equipment, portable	CFD	EOD	\$105,000.00	\$35,000.00
Wide Area Gas Monitoring	CFD	HM	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00
MCI Trauma Bags	BCEMA	EMS	\$80,000.00	\$0.00
Regional EMA Radios	HCEMA	EMA	\$120,000.00	\$0.00
Regional Prophylaxis Cache	CHD	PH	\$140,000.00	\$0.00
Total Requested			\$1,190,934.40	\$710,934.40

FY16 & FY17 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) - Law Enforcement Grant:

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office is the Programmatic and Fiscal Agent for the FY16 and FY17 SHSP Law Enforcement Grants. Any law enforcement agencies with project requests can contact Captain Mike Hartzler at the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center.

FY18 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP):

The regional EMA offices have begun preparing for the next Grant's projects.

New Business

Board of County Commissioners (BCC) - LEPC Resolution Renewal:

The current Resolution between the BCC and the LEPC authorizing EMA to administer and provide services to the LEPC expires as of August 31st. The Resolution can be renewed for additional two year periods upon approval of both parties.

A motion was made Paul Kamphaus and seconded by Carl Lamping to renew the Resolution between the BCC and the LEPC. The motion passed.

LEPC Membership:

Tim Neyer replaced Mark Day as the Assistant Director of Operations at the Clermont County Water Resources Department when he retired on April 30th.

A motion was made by Carl Lamping and seconded by Paul Kamphaus to appoint Tim Neyer to the LEPC. The motion passed.

February 2018 Ohio River Flood & EF1 Tornado:

The EMA continues to work with the local agencies on response and recovery. EMA is working on completing the After Action Report.

On April 17th, the President authorized FEMA funding be made available to the State of Ohio through the Public Assistance Grant Program to assist with expenses from this event. Clermont County was excluded from the declaration as the amount of expenses that FEMA considered eligible were below the minimum required threshold. Clermont County is working with the Ohio EMA to appeal this decision.

This Presidential Declaration will also allow funding through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). This grant provides opportunities for agencies to reduce or eliminate risk to life and property from natural hazards. As information is received on this funding it will be shared to the local agencies.

In order for agencies to be eligible for the HMGP funding, they must have a current All Hazards Mitigation Plan in place that has been approved by FEMA. Clermont County's current Mitigation Plan expires in March 2019. EMA has applied for Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant funding to hire a contractor to facilitate and complete the Plan update. As there will be a tight turnaround time, each agency is encouraged to start looking at their mitigation strategies in the existing plan.

The National Weather Service held a meeting on April 23rd in the Village of New Richmond on disparities between the forecast flood levels and what actually occurred.

Presentations

ESF-6 Mass Care, Housing, & Human Services Annex Update

In February 2018, the Public Health District completed a mass care exercise. This provided an opportunity to have the ESF-6 Annex updated. Pam Haverkos provided a brief update of those changes.

Department Reports

Clermont EMA

- Pam introduced Doug Baumgartner to the committee. Doug is the new Program Manager II for the County EMA. He will be working for both the EMA and the Department of Public Safety Services working on the hazmat plan updates, emergency operation plans and standard operating guidelines.
- DWART – EMA will be working on the paperwork to submit to the Board of Commissioners to officially disband the County's DWART.
- If any agencies get requests from Health Care Facilities for assistance with the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Service (CMS) emergency preparedness requirements, please refer them to the EMA. We can provide them with the local Hazard Vulnerability Analysis information and assist them with connecting with the Regional Health Collaborative. All Medicare/Medicaid Facilities must have a plan in place and must exercise it annually.
- Pam Haverkos will be on maternity leave sometime within the next month. John Kiskaden, DPSS Director, will be the Interim EMA Director and the LEPC Emergency Coordinator. Laurie Schlueter will be the day-to-day point of contact.

Ohio EMA

- Upcoming Regional LEPC Exercises
 - Auglaize County - Tabletop Exercise – May 5th
 - Montgomery/Greene Counties – Full-Scale Exercise – May 8th
 - Hamilton County – Tabletop Exercise – May 9th
 - Clinton County – Tabletop Exercise – May 19th
 - Preble County – Tabletop Exercise – May 31st
 - Darke County – Tabletop Exercise – June 13th
- There is an ongoing initiative to review the exercise evaluation criteria. The intent is to have a new exercise evaluation guides in place by 2022.
- The Fall Ohio EMA Director's Conference and SERC Conference is scheduled for October 17th and 18th. The conference will be held at Ohio State University this year instead of the Ohio Fire Academy.

- The LEPCs will be receiving two checks in the summer 2018. One will be the FY19 SERC funds (based on 2017 Tier II reports) and the other will be additional funding from the FY18 SERC Grant. In the FY18 SERC calculations, the State withheld 2% of the County's original allotment for anticipated expenses that were not needed. Therefore that 2% will be re-distributed to the LEPCs.

American Red Cross:

The Cincinnati ARC has a new CEO, Stephanie Byrd and a new Regional Disaster Officer, Erin Stephens.

Greater Cincinnati HazMat Unit:

An activity report for GCHMU and Command 400 was provided.

Upcoming trainings:

- Ripley County, IN FSE – April 28th
- Hamilton County LEPC Tabletop Exercise – May 9th
- Sharonville Touch a Truck – June 4th
- PER 222 Public Safety Sampling Response – September 11th – 13th (RSVP to Doug Witsken at doug.witsken@hamilton-co.org)

If any agency is interested in additional HazMat training, please contact GCHMU.

Mercy Hospital Clermont:

The Health Collaborative will be setting up sections of the ACC (Alternative Care Center) at UC - Goodman Street on May 22nd.

Building Department:

The Ohio Building Officials Association will be providing training on May 17th on damage assessment.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be July 19, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the Emergency Operation Center.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM