



Clermont County Local Emergency Planning Committee

September 24, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Virtual Attendees: Mike Boehmer, Randy Davis, Pam Haverkos, Ed Humphrey, Paul Kamphaus, John Kappesser, John Kiskaden, Hannah Lubbers, Brooke Matzen, Jeannette Nichols, Kevin Riley, Laurie Schlueter, and Woody Woodmansee.

Guests: Doug Baumgartner, Tim Kelly, Steve Renninger, and Renee Wilson.

Call to Order
The meeting began at 1:33 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.
Approval of the Minutes
A motion was made by Ed Humphrey and seconded by Jeanette Nichols to adopt the minutes from the July 16, 2020 meeting. The motion passed.
New Business
2021 Meeting Schedule: The tentative meeting dates for 2021 are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 01/28/21• 04/22/21• 07/22/21• 09/23/21 A motion was made by Randy Davis and seconded by Brooke Matzen to accept the 2021 meeting dates as listed. The motion passed.
Ongoing Business
HazMat Spills: There has been one reportable spill since the July 16 th meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 09/14/20 – 2023 State Route 131 – Stonelick Township – Diesel fuel spilled into lot at UDF and ran into storm drain. Hannah Lubbers reported that there had been a potential spill reported to the Ohio EMA on 9/14/20 on Snider Road in Monroe Township. There had been an oily sheen reported in the storm drain.
Information Requests: EMA received no information requests since the July 16 th meeting.
Tier II Reports: 2020 Tier II Reports are due March 1, 2021
COVID-19 Update: EMA facilitates a county-wide Covid-19 coordination briefing virtually every Wednesday. As of 9/24/20, Ohio has: 138,712 confirmed cases with 8,041 probable for a total of 146,753 cases; 4,387 deaths confirmed to be related to COVID with 300 probable for a total of 4,687. Clermont County has 1,571 confirmed cases with 67 probable for a total of 1,638 cases; 20 deaths confirmed to be related to

COVID with 1 probably for a total of 21. Updated numbers can be found on the Ohio Dept. of Health website at:

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/home>

On the Public Health website, there is information on the number of cases within the County by Zip Code. Some of the zip code areas have been combined for the smaller jurisdictions. <https://ccphohio.org/covid-19/>

Clermont County is currently at Level 2 of the Ohio Public Health Advisory System.

EMA continues to maintain personal protection equipment (PPE) for local responders. If any agency needs additional PPE please contact the EMA at

clermontema@clermontcountyohio.gov.

All-Hazard Mitigation Plan

Clermont County received official approval from FEMA for the All-Hazard Mitigation Plan (AHMP) on June 15th. The Board of County Commissioner's adopted the Plan on April 22nd. The AHMP Plan is valid for five years, so Clermont County will not be due for an update until 2024.

All Cities and Villages must adopt the AHMP Plan, within one year of the FEMA approval date to continue to be eligible for Public Assistance and Mitigation Grants. Townships are not required to officially adopt the Plan, however, EMA has suggested they adopt it as well. As of today's meeting the two cities, two villages and two townships have adopted the Plan.

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

The BCC approved the renewal of the Resolution between the BCC and the LEPC on 08/05/20. This resolution authorizes the EMA to administer and provide services for the LEPC.

HazMat Plan Update:

The annual update of the Clermont County Hazardous Materials Plan is due to SERC by 10/17/20.

A motion was made by Jeanette Nichols and seconded by Brooke Matzen to submit the 2020 HazMat Plan Update to SERC. The motion passed.

2020-2021 LEPC Exercise – Full Scale:

July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 is the fourth year of the Ohio Four-Year Exercise Cycle. During the four year cycle each LEPC is required to complete one Tabletop, one Functional, and one Full-Scale Exercise. Clermont completed Tabletop exercises the first two years and a Functional exercise the third year. We will be required to complete a Full-Scale Exercise during the 2021 state fiscal year.

A Full-Scale exercise requires eight or more objectives be tested. Of the thirteen objects, Clermont County has three that must be tested in the Full-Scale exercise: Response Personnel Safety, Emergency Medical Services, and Hospital Services.

During the 2019-2020 cycle, SERC waived any penalties for County LEPCs not able to hold exercises. As it is unknown at this time if such an allowance will be made for the 2020-2021 cycle, we will wait until the first of 2021 to begin planning our exercise.

Budget - A copy of the 2020 LEPC budget is attached to the minutes.

State Emergency Response Commission Grant:

The SFY21 SERC Grant period is July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The funding for this grant was received on 08/10/20 in the amount of \$23,261.00 which is a slight increase from last year.

FY16, FY17, & FY18 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) - Law Enforcement Grant:

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office is the Programmatic and Fiscal Agent for the SHSP Law Enforcement Grants. The point of contact is Captain Ted Sampson at the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center.

FY17 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant:

The FY17 SHSP grant performance period is September 1, 2017 through March 31, 2020. The southwest region was slated to receive \$706,713.45. Hamilton County EMA is the Grant Administrative Agency.

FY18 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant:

The FY18 SHSP grant performance period is September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2021. The southwest region is slated to receive \$677,546.91. Hamilton County EMA is the Grant Administrative Agency. To date only \$96,521.83 of the total funding has been spent.

FY19 State Homeland Security Program Grant:

The FY19 SHSP grant performance period is September 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021. The southwest region is slated to receive \$644,037. Hamilton County EMA is the Grant Administrative Agency.

FY20 State Homeland Security Program Grant:

The performance period is September 1, 2020 through March 31, 2022. It is anticipated the southwest region will receive \$644,037. Project applications were submitted to OEMA however no approval has been received yet.

Department Reports

Greater Cincinnati HazMat Unit:

GCHMU had 4 runs in July in Hamilton County and six runs in August, with 4 in Warren County and 2 in Hamilton County. There have been no runs so far in September. They are finding that citizens are cleaning out their homes & businesses and finding items with mercury and other chemicals.

If any agency is interested in receiving HazMat Training through GCHMU, please contact Brooke Matzen.

Public Health –

Public Health continues to work on the COVID-19 response. They are encouraging all citizens to wear masks and practice the CDC's guidelines including social distancing to assist with keeping the rate of transmission low.

Public Health has begun planning for the COVID-19 mass vaccinations. The vaccines may be released as early as November 1, 2020. Distribution will be based on priority groups.

Clermont EMA

- **ERGs** - The 2020 Emergency Response Guides have been received. All agencies who are receiving copies have been notified. EMA did receive a few extra books so if anyone needs the ERGs, please contact EMA.
- **Radiological Meter Exchange** – Ohio EMA in the process of discontinuing the old radiological meters. Clermont County will be receiving fourteen new units, which will be going to Bethel-Tate, Central Joint, Loveland-Symmes, Miami Township, and Union Township Fire Departments. If any agency has any of the old radiological units please return them to the County EMA as soon as possible.
- **Regional Training** – Note: Microsoft Teams is the preferred platform for all OEMA virtual trainings.
 - ICS 300/400 were scheduled in April and May but were cancelled due to COVID-19. The courses have been rescheduled for 2021. ICS 300 is scheduled to be held on 1/12/21 through 1/14/21 and ICS 400 on 2/24/21 through 2/25/21. Both courses will be held at Loveland-Symmes Fire Department Station 62, 126 S. Lebanon Road in Loveland.
 - Matt Moynihan, Hamilton County EMA, has a regional training distribution list. He sends out a [training bulletin](#) every 2 weeks.
- **County Email Issue** – Clermont County has been receiving reports from both inside and outside the County system that people are receiving spoofed emails that appear to come from the “@clermontcounty.ohio” domain. If an email looks questionable, please contact the supposed sender.

Presentations

Tim Kelly provide a brief review of the COVID-19 Vaccination planning that Clermont County Public Health is working on.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be January 28, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. EMA will let attendees know before the meeting whether it will be in the EOC or virtually through Zoom.

Adjournment

Brooke Matzen made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Randy Davis seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.