



Clermont County Local Emergency Planning Committee

April 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Attendees (In-Person): Mike Boehmer, Tyler Braasch, Jill Ernst, Pam Haverkos, Robert Hirsch, John Kappesser, Brooke Matzen, John McManus, Tim Neyer, Laurie Schlueter, Jeff Smith, Jessie Wiederhold, and Rob Wing.

Attendees (Virtually): Steve Armstrong, Hannah Lubbers, and Andrew McAfee.

Guests (In-Person): Rob McClelland.

Guests (Virtually): Sam Reed and Mike White

Call to Order
The meeting began at 1:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Introductions
Approval of the Minutes
A motion was made by Brooke Matzen and seconded by Tim Neyer to adopt the minutes from the January 26, 2023 meeting. The motion passed.
New Business
LEPC Membership 2023-2025: The current LEPC Membership period ends 08/14/2023. The next membership period will be from 08/15/2023 through 08/14/2025. The LEPC will need to vote on the membership at the 07/20/23 meeting. The LEPC will vote and the recommendations will go to the Clermont County Board of Commissioners before submission to the SERC (State Emergency Response Commission) for final approval at their 08/09/2023 meeting. Anyone who would like to be a member of the committee during the next membership period is asked to fill out an application and return it to EMA before 06/30/2023.
Ongoing Business
HazMat Spills: There have been no reportable spills since the 01/26/2023 meeting. There was an incident that occurred on Beckjord Road that was reported, but did not fit the criteria for a required reportable incident. There was an overflow of the Beckjord landfill conveyance system at Beckjord Road and Pond Run. The overflow caused iron and manganese to leech out of the system into the ditch line. It was agreed that we would add this to our spill database for historical purposes.
Information Requests: EMA received one information request since the 01/26/2023 meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none">03/09/23 – SR 727 – Edenton/Wayne Township – Intertek PSI

Tier II Reports:

2022 Reporting Year Reports were due March 1, 2023.

- 120 Tier II RY22 Reports received to date
- 10 Reports received for RY21, but not received for RY22

There were no new First Time Filers reporting this year.

If anyone knows of any companies that they believe should be reporting, please let EMA know.

Clermont County Tornadoes Update:

The LTRC (Long Term Recovery Committee) held their After-Action Meeting. They had received and distributed a total of \$233,061 in funds and \$4,550 in gift cards. There were a total of 78 cases that requested assistance.

EMA is working with the Department of Community and Economic Development to provide CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) funding to the faith-based /non-profit organizations that had expenses from the tornadoes (including American Regulators, Goshen United Methodist Church Food Pantry, and Goshen Local Schools).

State Disaster Relief Program (SDRP) – expense submission were due to Ohio EMA by 01/02/2023. Some of the agencies have received reimbursement for their tornado expenses. SDRP allows local jurisdictions, schools and some private non-profits to apply for emergency response and debris management expenses.

March 3, 2023 EF1 Tornado and straight-line wind damage

On 03/03/2023 portions of Clermont County saw some damage from an EF1 Tornado and straight line winds.

Jurisdiction	Destroyed	Major	Minor	Affected	Totals:
Tate Township					
Single Family		1	12	11	24
Outbuilding	1		1	1	3
Williamsburg Township					
Single Family			3	16	19
Outbuilding		1			1
Pierce Township					
Single Family		1	1		2
Mobile Home			1		1
Ohio Township					
Single Family		1			1
Totals:	1	4	18	28	51

2022-2023 LEPC Exercise:

The LEPC 2022-2023 Exercise is scheduled for Tuesday, June 6, 2023. The tentative scenario is a plane carrying pesticides and aviation fuel into a drinking water source. This will be a Tabletop Exercise. The Exercise Sub-Committee will meet on May 1, 2023 to finalize the scenario. A Save-the-Date appointment will be sent out soon.

Budget – A copy of the 2023 Budget is attached.
FY21 State Homeland Security Program Grant: Grant performance period: 10/01/2021 through 03/31/2024 \$591,422. Butler County EMA is the Grant Administrative Agency. However, each individual County will be the Fiscal Agent for projects within their county.
FY22 State Homeland Security Program Grant: Grant performance period: 10/1/2022 through 03/31/2025 Clermont County submitted two projects. Neither project was awarded funding.
FY23 State Homeland Security Program Grant: Grant performance period: 09/01/2023 through 10/31/2025 The FY23 SHSP grant guidance is similar to FY22. Local Boards of Elections and Law Enforcement can apply directly to the State. All other agencies must apply through their local County EMA Offices. Clermont County received two applications. One application is not eligible through the SHSP. The other application is being reviewed to see if the project will be feasible with SHSP funding and if so will be submitted to the State for approval.
Department Reports
EMA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMA continues to work on the purchase of the repetitive loss property in Pierce Township. The property appraisal contract has been completed and will be approved by the State appraiser. • If anyone has any PPE needs please contact the EMA. EMA is working with Matthew25 to distribute some of the disposable gowns and gloves. • Hamilton County continues to publish a regional training bulletin. To access the current training opportunities – go to: https://mailchi.mp/fd1c94e71c4d/6lntbtm0zg-16089404?e=9c6540589e
Soil & Water Conservation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil & Water has partnered with Stonelick Township Fire Department to submit a grant application for Grain Bin Rescue Training.
Public Health: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Health continues to offer vaccines on Tuesdays and Thursdays in their Nursing Division Offices at 2400 Clermont Center Drive. • The Federal Government has announced that the COVID-19 emergency is officially ending as of May 11, 2023. Public Health will continue to offer vaccines and test kits for free until the supply runs out. After that, they will most likely be run through the patient’s insurance. You will most likely see a rise in the cost of the over-the-counter test kits. • Public Health will be involved in a distribution exercise on October 1, 2023. It will include an EOC activation.
Health Collaborative: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Health Collaborative has completed the Radiation Annex. If anyone wants a copy please contact Jill Ernst.
Next Meeting
The next meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. at the Clermont County Emergency Operations Center at 2279 Clermont Center Drive in Batavia. The meeting will also be available over Zoom.
Adjournment
Brooke Matzen made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jessie Wiederhold seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 2:26 p.m.