

May 11, 2016
LEPC 3 DRAFT Meeting Minutes
SWCRPC Office

Attendance

Mark DeRosia – NewsBank
Bruce Martin - DFS
Heather Morse - USACE
Todd Sears – DEMHS
Becky Thomas – VDH

John Van Wetering - CERT
Lt. Tim Oliver - VSP
Joe Tinney – Jeld-Wen
Jim Tonkovich – VT211
Allison Hopkins - SWCRPC

Welcome and Introductions

Allison H. called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and asked for introductions.

Medical Reserve Corps Presentation

- Wesley Miller, Public Health Emergency Preparedness and UVMRC Coordinator, with Dartmouth-Hitchcock presented on the MRC Program
 - Serves VT & NH communities
 - 1000 active units with over 200,000 volunteers
 - Goal: to promote healthy living and prepare for and respond to emergencies
 - No “typical” MRC
 - Training & exercise
 - Home preparedness
 - Alternative care sites
 - Shelter operations
 - PODs
 - National Strategy for Youth Preparedness Education taking off in NH hopes to have online in VT soon
 - *During a public health emergency, volunteers from VT & NH with all background and abilities are needed*
 - Next general meeting June 8th – VDH WRJ Offices @ 6 PM
 - Brochures and Wes’ cards are available at SWCRPC if you or someone you know may be interested in learning more/volunteering

Treasurer’s Report

- Jim T. reviewed the Treasurer’s Report with the group. John VW requested CERT CPR recertification instructor invoice be paid at the cost of \$280.00. Jim T motioned to approve the report and CERT request as presented, seconded by Beck T. Motion passed.

Elect Chair

Allison H will no longer serve as Interim Chair and Jack S will continue to serve as Vice Chair and perform Chair duties until LEPC 3 elects Chair.

CERT Update

- John VW reviewed CERT activities and trainings. Winter was relatively quiet. CERT attended flagger training in January and CPR recertification in May. Spring activities and requests are already ramping up.

VSP Update

- Lt. Oliver informed the group of delayed opening of new barracks to July 1. 4 new Troopers assigned. Maybe a late summer/fall meeting & tour can be held once the barracks open!

DFS Update

- Bruce M. reported on 31 investigations – concern of origin, 5 fatalities. All plans should have a fire safety component as numbers continue to rise. Partner with VSP on investigations. Partnership with NH State Fire Marshal's office on VT/NH Carbon Monoxide alliance – mission to reduce CO fatalities to zero.

2-1-1 Update

- Jim T. reported that 2-1-1 received renewed national accreditation – every 5 year process. Potential CARE program presentation at September LEPC meeting (component registering vulnerable populations).

DEMHS Update

- Todd S reported on on-going VG exercise occurring in late July and beginning of August. Todd can present on cyber security/ threats in the fall. Noted 100% completion of SWCRPC member towns LEOP's.

Red Cross Update

- No report

DART Update

- No report

VDH Update

- Becky T. discussed setting up PODs for VG exercise. Most Springfield staff will be assisting in Brattleboro. New Emergency Preparedness Specialist may be on board soon. PFOA contamination testing continues in Bennington – more clinics to come. Ticks, bugs, Zika all at the forefront as spring gets going. Will be in touch with Allison H regarding vector borne presentation for July.

Other Business – Allison H gave an HMEP/AHRG update and timeline. Comments incorporated and draft completed, resource list will be kept at SWCRPC and not part of the document. Draft will be sent to group for final review/comments.

Next Meeting

July 13, 2016 location TBD.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.