

**Cumberland County
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
Meeting Minutes April 30, 2020**

The Cumberland County Local Emergency Planning Committee attended a virtual meeting on April 30, 2020.

Members in Attendance:

Calvin Bishop, At-Large
Dean Demark, Ft. Bragg
Gene Booth, Cumberland County Emergency Services
Hendrix Valenzuela, Cumberland County Emergency Services
Mark Ingram, Chemours
Caleb Stoker, Hexion
Brett Chandler, Fayetteville Police Department
Ronnie Willet, Fayetteville Fire Department
Steven Rogers, CDRC
Renee Larson, Parker Gas
Ray Jackson, Fayetteville PWC

Others in Attendance:

Scott Bullard, Fayetteville Fire Department
Dept. Chief Alvarez, Fayetteville Fire Department
Robert Godwin, Cape Fear Valley Health System
Jason Faragoi, Cumberland County Emergency Services
Garry Crumpler, Cumberland County Emergency Services
Terry Crawford, Cargill
Christina King, Cumberland County Emergency Services

Introductions:

Welcomes and introductions were made at the starting of the meeting. The preceding meeting minutes were approved and accepted by committee members.

Membership Update:

- Hendrix stated that Kellie Beam with the County Commissioners office will be sending us a list of all the newly approved committee members.

HAZMAT Exercise:

- Jason informed the group that the deadline for completing the exercise is September 30th. He also stated that there is a possibility to request an extension if need be due to the pandemic.
- Calvin stated that he would like to speak to someone on the hazmat team to identify any weakness areas that they would like to work on as apart of the exercise. He stated that we have performed several hazmat related drills in the past and would like to see what drill they would prefer to work on next.

- Ronnie Willet with Fayetteville Fire Department stated that Chief Brinson would be the best person to contact to determine which hazmat drill would work best for the exercise. He plans to follow up with Chief Brinson and will provide his feedback to the committee for consideration.
- Calvin suggested on having a planning group meeting to discuss some scenarios on what we would like to do for the exercise with some input from the hazmat team.
- Jason will establish a date for the planning group meeting in the coming weeks and will send out that information to the group when it is scheduled.
- Hendrix asked the group about the after-action report from the last exercise. The report is still in the works but Jason plans to have it completed and sent out to the committee by the close of business day.
- Hendrix shared with the group that we received some positive feedbacks from the last exercise and would like to incorporate some of that information going into the next exercise.
- Dean Demark asked about putting in decon trailers from the county as apart of the exercise to see if we could fix those short comings that we have had in the past.
- Dean also stated that we had a drill using the decon trailers back in 2017 but never seen an after-action report.
- Jason plans to look for the after-action report from that exercise and will send that information out to the group once he locates it.
- Chief Willet plans to reach out to Chief Brinson about using the decon trailers in the next exercise and will provide his feedback to the group at the planning meeting.
- Calvin stated that he would like to review and discuss the 2017 after-action report from the exercise at the planning meeting.

Open Discussions:

- Jason informed the group that we received the non-competitive and the competitive Tier II grant from the state for \$5,000.00 total.
- Jason also shared with the group the various ways that we could use those funds.
- Calvin asked about getting a list of acceptable uses for the grants. He would like to know what our options are to determine the best way to utilize the funds.
- Jason stated that he will send that information to Calvin before the close of business day. He also informed the group that we have until December 31st to use those funds.
- Calvin stated that he would like to discuss those options on how to use the funds at the planning group meeting. He also informed the group that he would be sending out an email to everyone who would like to participate in the exercise once we have the dates scheduled.
- Dean asked about the All-Hazard Approach from the By-laws that was mentioned at the last meeting to see if any changes has been made. There have not been any changes made to the By-laws due to Covid-19, but it is still in the works. We will inform the group once those changes have been made.

The next meeting will be held on July 30, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. (Virtual Meeting).