



## Meeting Minutes October 28, 2021

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The Cumberland County Local Emergency Planning Committee met on October 28, 2021 at Segra Stadium.

### **Members in Attendance:**

Calvin Bishop, At-Large  
Garry Crumpler, Cumberland County Emergency Services  
Marc Baker, Cumberland County Emergency Services  
Lou Cherry, Cumberland County Government PIO  
Brett Chandler, Fayetteville Police Department  
Robert Godwin, Cape Fear Valley Health System  
Greg Phillips, Cumberland County Public Health Department  
Celestine Raineri-Smith, Cumberland County Public Health Department  
Caleb Stoker, Hexion  
Robert Rhodes, NC State Highway Patrol

### **Others in Attendance:**

Scott Bullard, Fayetteville Fire Department  
Laura Smith, Cumberland County Emergency Services  
Paul Spiegler, Cumberland County Sheriff's Office  
Kevin Morgan, Fayetteville Fire Department  
David Hesselmeyer, On Target Preparedness (OTP)  
Shane Woodmancy, Ft. Bragg Emergency Management  
Chris Cominse, Astros  
Matthew Chappell, Fayetteville Woodpeckers  
Andre Marshall, FBI  
David Smith, FBI  
Matthew Perkins, FBI  
Robert Manley, Fayetteville Police Department  
Marco Wclar, OPT  
Christina King, Cumberland County Emergency Services

### **Introductions:**

Welcomes and introductions were made at the beginning of the meeting. The previous meeting minutes were approved by the committee.



### **Membership Updates & Recommendations:**

- Calvin informed the group that George White has agreed to serve on the committee as the hospital representative. He also informed the group that Jared Thompson with the Cumberland County PIO office is no longer with the county. Lou Cherry with Cumberland County PIO was nominated to be his replacement.
- Garry plans to follow up with Celestine with the Health Department about contacting an individual who is interested in the environmental representative position.
- Calvin plans to reach back out to Mark Ingram with Chemours to see if they have someone at their site for the facilities representative position.

### **Recap & Recommendations from the October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Exercise:**

- Garry discussed with the group that we completed the exercise successfully and received a good AAR report from it. He also stated that we had a good amount of participation from multiple agencies. However, there were some gaps that we need to improve on moving forward. The gaps identified were communication between EMS and product identification. Overall, he stated that the exercise was a good opportunity for our people to work with different teams.

### **Motiva HAZMAT Response Plan:**

- Garry shared with the group that the county's Emergency Management division was invited to participate in a Tabletop exercise at Motiva. The Motiva organization leads were not aware of the response plan that they have with Fayetteville HAZMAT.
- Garry stated that he wants to provide them with an incident command post or something along those lines to have on hand just in case an incident occurs.
- Calvin informed the group that we should set up a time to discuss the Motiva HAZMAT response plan with Fayetteville HAZMAT. He stated that the plan needs to be looked at further because there have been several issues that has occurred with dealing with the proper foam. He stated that the PFAS foam is creating issues across the board from the EPA on down and they are looking at disposable plans.
- Calvin also stated that when looking at the response plan we need to make sure that the circular systems are working and flowing in the capacity that it needs to.

### **Other Business:**

- Garry discussed with the group about the incident that occurred on Highway 87. He stated that the incident shut down the highway for most of the day. The incident involved about 8,000 to 9,000 gallons of fuel that ended up in a ditch. The foam that was applied to control the fire hazard had PFAS in it.
- Garry stated that there is an estimate of 18 to 19 tons of dirt from the PFAS foam that needs to get dug out of there and we are trying to find a place to dispose it.



- Garry was informed by Chief Johnson that that was the last foam in the county that had PFAS in it. He was also informed by Chief Johnson that the foam trailer was washed out and replaced with new foam.

#### **FY2022 Tier II Grants Update:**

- Garry informed the group that we are in a new grant cycle and have applied for two additional grants. He stated that we have applied for a \$10,000 grant to do a commodity and flow study. We have also applied for another \$10,000 HMEP grant to perform HAZMAT incident command training that's tied to transportation as well as tabletop combination. We hope to get approved for both grants and will inform the group once we receive them.
- Marc shared with the group about how the current grant funds were used. He stated that we purchased two pop-up banners for educational and outreach purposes. Unfortunately, the state did not approve for us to purchase the shirts or the challenge coins that we had discussed at the previous meeting. He stated that the remainder of the funds were utilized to purchase the food for today's meeting.
- Garry informed the group that the non-competitive grant was used to put in for a weather station to help support HAZMAT operations. He stated that they will be able to link in and get more in-depth weather information when they do their HAZMAT response.

#### **Open Discussions:**

- Calvin informed the group that Fayetteville Technical Community College received a grant from our local legislative representatives to construct an Emergency Training Center. The training center is in works and the planning completion date is scheduled for the end of summer of 2022. The training center is going to be located on Tom Starling Rd. next to the Sheriff's Office Training Center.
- Shane with Ft. Bragg Emergency Management informed the group that the Ft. Bragg email address has been changed for everyone. He stated that the new email address is now @army.mil and no longer @ mil.mil.

#### **HMEP HAZMAT "Dirty Bomb" Exercise, Initial Planning Meeting:**

- Marc discussed with the group about the upcoming exercise. He stated that we as a group are use to doing mostly hazardous materials exercises at a facility and we wanted to try something different this time.
- Marc stated that we went with the idea of using a dirty bomb that has a realistic exercise scenario that will test our local response capabilities.
- He also stated that this exercise will give us the opportunity to work with other partners outside of the area especially on the law enforcement side.
- David Hesselmeyer is going to be the primary project manager for this exercise event. He is the President/CEO of On Target Preparedness (OTP) and they contract with various agencies to assist in risk assessments, exercise development and much more.



- David discussed with group on some of the goals and objectives for the exercise and the different types of exercises that would best fit this event. He also deliberated on who all would be participating in the exercise.
- The exercise date is scheduled for February 17, 2022 and the project completion date is for April 1, 2022.
- David informed the group that they can contact him if they develop any ideas or have any questions after the meeting.
- Marc informed the group that the next planning meeting is on November 19, 2021 at 1:30pm and it is going to be virtual. The planning meetings will be held monthly up until the exercise event.

**The next meeting will be held on February 24, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Location: FTCC Center for Business & Industry Building (CBI) Rm. 111**