

Cumberland County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Meeting Minutes January 26, 2023

The Cumberland County Local Emergency Planning Committee met on January 26, 2023 at FTCC Fire & Rescue Training Center.

Members in Attendance:

Garry Crumpler, Cumberland County Emergency Services
David Richtmeyer, Fayetteville Fire Department/HazMat
Marc Baker, Cumberland County Emergency Services
Robert Godwin, Cape Fear Valley Health System
Celestine Raineri-Smith, Cumberland County Public Health Department
George White, Womack Army Medical Center (WAMC)
Marshall Faircloth, Cumberland County Commissioner

Others in Attendance:

Scott Bullard, Fayetteville Fire Department/Emergency Management

Tom Godfrey, Parker Gas

Henry Taylor, Parker Gas

Laura Smith, Cumberland County Emergency Services

Carson Walker, South River EMC

Tim Stuppy, USASOC

Ray Hunt, Hexion

Daniel Davis, Hexion

Mark Walters, Lumbee River EMC

Chief Freddy Johnson, Cumberland County Fire Chief Association (CCFCA)

Melodie Dickerson, Cape Fear CERT

Gregory Dickerson, Cape Fear CERT

Ike Copeland, PWC

Henry Smith, PWC

Shane Woodmancy, Ft. Bragg Emergency Management

B.S. Lacey, Ft. Bragg Emergency Management

Ethan Harrison, On Target Preparedness (OTP)

Doug Logan, On Target Preparedness (OTP)

Christina King, Cumberland County Emergency Services

Introductions:

Welcomes and introductions were made by the committee at the initiation of the meeting along with the approval of the previous meeting minutes.



Membership Update/Nominations:

- David Richtmeyer was nominated to serve as the new Chairperson of the LEPC.
- Garry Crumpler will remain as Vice Chair.
- Marc informed the group that we have a few vacancies on the committee and are looking for members to fill those positions soon.
- We are looking for representatives to fill the facilities and utilities position. We are also looking for two additional law enforcement and fire department representatives.
- Marc asked the group to forward him contact information of anyone that would be interested in serving on the committee.
- The committee inquired about making a change to the bylaws that would allow non-county residents to serve on the LEPC. Commissioner Faircloth asked Garry to send a letter to the clerk of board to get it on the next agenda. Garry plans to send the letter to the board and will inform the group about their decision at the next LEPC meeting.

HAZMAT Commodity Flow Study Results Presentation:

- Ethan and Doug with On Target Preparedness (OTP) gave a summary presentation on the commodity flow study that was performed.
- The study observed various transportation routes that exhibited heavy traffic flow such as I-95, NC 295, NC 210, NC 24, NC 87, and NC 53. OTP collected data for over a month and a half, and the information was reported on a timeline.
- The traffic study helped to better identify the types of hazardous materials being transported throughout the county.
- Ethan plans to send the reports to Marc to share with the committee. He also asked the group to send him any recommendations they may have about the study.

Additional Comments:

- Ethan informed the group about the Best Conference that will be held in Raleigh on February 16th. Marc plans to send out more information about the conference to everyone on the email list.
- Garry informed the group that highway patrol and conjunction will hold an exercise with the IMAP program. The exercise will simulate an oversize tanker and a high velocity crash. The first exercise will be held in March and the second one will be in September. He asked if any first responders are interested in participating in the event to let him know.
- Garry shared with the group that highway patrol now has AEDs in all their patrol vehicles.
- He also informed the group about two upcoming exercise events. He stated that we are looking to plan an active shooter exercise and a radiological and training exercise in the upcoming months.
- Garry discussed with the group that he would like to start doing site tours with our first responders and industry partners. The tours will give our first responders an insight into



what the facilities transport and the process and procedures that go into what they do on a day-to-day basis.

The next meeting will be held on April 27, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Location: Emergency Services Communications Center - 500 Executive Place Fayetteville, NC 28305