

Price County Local Emergency Planning Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: April 17, 2019

Time 1:30 p.m.

Place: UW-Extension Conference Room A&B; County Annex (Normal Building); 104 S. Eyder Avenue, Phillips, WI

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Chair Doug Rasmussen at 1:30 p.m.

Roll Call – Present: Joe Baratka, Philip Bochler, Chelsea Onchuck (alt. for Michelle Edwards), Jeff Hallstrand, Michael Hauschild, Roxanne I. Kahan, Paul Melby, Doug Rasmussen, Philip Richard, Scott Straetz. Excused: Joshua Englund, Sue Faber, Jean Klimowski. Absent: Darla Isham, Kristin Palecek, Brian Schmidt, Jordan Spacek, Derek Wishowski.

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Communications and Announcements: Jerry Ernst will be replacing Scott Straetz as Park Falls City Police Chief. Reports of some of the information from the Governor's Conference. Skywarn training on April 24th in Park Falls at 1pm and Phillips at 5pm. BW Papersystems wellness fair to promote fitness center. LEPC and Emergency Management information set up.
2. Public Comments: None.
3. Approve minutes of January 16, 2019 meeting: Motion Bochler/Straetz to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
4. Election of LEPC Vice-Chairperson: Straetz nominated Philip Bochler. Motion Straetz/Hallstrand to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Philip Bochler for LEPC Vice-chairperson. Motion carried.
5. EPCRA Advisory Group update: Oversees county grant requests. Offer training opportunities. Take suggestions and offer feedback to submission platforms.
6. Emergency Management Report
 - a. Spill report: March 5 – Verso Corporation in Fifield 20 gallons of hydraulic fluid, clean up recovered 20 gallons. March 21 – City of Park Falls road and storm drain; unknown cause, unknown amount, substance: gas/gasoline – appeared to be from melting snow but could be leaking from nearby vehicle. Clean up unknown.
 - b. All Hazards Mitigation Plan – updating: Needs updating every five years. Last approved in 2015. All Hazards Mitigation Planning Committee - meeting with municipalities to update them on hazmat information and possible grant opportunities.
 - c. County-Wide Strategic Plan – annual EPCRA notice published: Annual publication in paper and Plan approved by the state.
7. 2019 EPCRA Computer and Hazardous Materials Equipment Grant: this is the last year of the 4-year grant cycle. Up to a maximum of \$6,000 (usually \$2,000) of the cost of computer equipment is eligible for reimbursement. Item will be a new printer to function as a credentialing machine. Ashland Hazmat Team submitted price quotes for equipment if there are available funds. They plan on this year and/or next year, purchasing, a CGI (Compressed Gas Indicator - used for natural gas and propane leaks) for all eight fire departments in Price County.
8. Future items: guest speakers: Planning for future exercises.
9. Schedule Next Meeting: July 17, 2019.
10. Meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk