

Price County Local Emergency Planning Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: October 16, 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: Vance Pollitt (alternate for Joe Baratka), Philip Bochler, Jerry Ernst, Roxanne I. Kahan, Jean Klimowski, Paul Melby, Kristin Palecek, Doug Rasmussen, Philip Richard. Excused: Michelle Edwards, Joshua Englund, Sue Faber, Michael Hauschild, Jordan Spacek. Absent: Jeff Hallstrand, Darla Isham, Brian Schmidt, Derek Wishowski. Quorum established.

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Communications and Announcements: October is “Move Over or Slow Down” month; October 19th is National Move Over Day. “Stop the Bleed” campaign will be a May event. Consensus is to get information on having trainings available for the communities.
2. Public Comments: None.
3. Approve April 17, 2019 meeting minutes: Motion Bochler/Kahan to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
4. 2019 Grant closeouts; EPCRA, Computer and Hazmat Response Equipment: EPCRA Grant program report closed out September 30th, financial close out October 31st. Grant award letter for \$7,957.95. Received 2018 grant redistribution of \$1,250.47. Computer and Hazmat Response Equipment grant will be closed out by December 30, 2019.
5. 2020 Grant Deliverables: new four-year cycle; January LEPC planning/administrative meeting, three outreach events, off-site plan reviews, update/submit By laws, county-wide plan and annual notice by March 30th, two exercise events in next four years.
6. Flambeau River Paper update: Kristin reported that the next auction will be November 1st with a follow up court date of November 4th. Existing chemical inventory is being monitored.
7. Emergency Management Report
 - a. Hazardous Spill report:
 - April 25 – County Highway S, Phillips – 250 gallons #2 diesel leaked out of tank.
 - June 27th Town of Ogema – North of Johnson Rd. on Hwy 13 – equipment failure, leak of chipped rock emulsion (nonhazardous).
 - September 18th – Birch Hill Road, Town of Elk – gas line breach – evacuated – made initial contacts – impacted 72 customers – contained within one hour with normal service restored within six hours.
 - September 20th – Flambeau River Papers sulfur dioxide release 6:15 p.m. and 9:45 p.m. – made initial contacts and investigation.
 - September 29th – diesel oil spill City of Phillips – equipment failure. Cleaned up by Highway Department.
 - b. CGI training: September 25th at Phillips Fire Department. (Combustible Gas Indicator)
 - c. WEM video – EPA Safety Data Sheets: Will hold until next meeting and will send link to members.
8. Schedule Next Meeting: January 15, 2020
9. Meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk