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January 5, 2016

The Lyon County Sheriff's Office was the location of the January 5th LEPC meeting. Those in attendance were:

Brandon Beck, EMS	Chip Woods, Lyon County Road & Bridge
Jack Taylor, Emporia Fire Department	Jon Vopata, Emporia State University
John Koelsch, Lyon County Sheriff's Office	Janice Arb, Lyon County LCAT
Keith Senn, City Public Works	Tim Frevert, City of Emporia
Jennifer Skiles, Flint Hills Community Health	Amanda Cunningham, Mental Health Center
Bill Duggan, Lyon County Communications	Cathy Ernst, Lyon County LEPC Secretary
Carrie Boettcher, Emporia State University	Jeff Cope, Lyon County Sheriff's Office
Suzanne Worthen-Miller, Salvation Army	Erin Starr, Lyon County Dept. of Aging
Jeff Welshans, EM Regional Coordinator- NE Region	Susan Daniel-Brey, Ministerial Alliance
Deb Kuhlman, USD 252 South Lyon County	Gary Sparks, Tyson Fresh Meats

LEPC Chair Jennifer Skiles called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m., followed by introductions of those present. There were 17 voting and 3 non-voting member present. Jeff Welshans the Emergency Management Regional Coordinator for the NE Region was present.

Motion to approve the October 6th minutes: Brandon Beck (Jeff Cope) 15-0

Motion to elect 2 voting members to LEPC:
Erin Starr and Janice Arb John Koelsch (Carrie Boettcher) 15-0

Old Business:
Motion to elect Amanda Cunningham as Vice Chair: Carrie Boettcher (Suzanne Worthen-Miller) 17-0

Please be thinking about who may want to volunteer to be nominated as the new Vice Chair at the October meeting.

New Business:

There was a lengthy discussion about the need for By-Laws revisions and also the need to clean up our membership list. Jeff Welshans will contact Harry Hientzelman- Tech. Hazards Planner from KDEM and ask him to give a short presentation and have a Q & A session about LEPC. Each member present was given a copy of the By-Laws and they were asked to e-mail any suggestion or changes to Cathy Ernst. The discussion was tabled for the next meeting.

Introduction of Susan Daniel- Brey the 2016 head of the Lyon County Ministerial Alliance.

Coordinator Report:

We are starting the new 2-year burn cycle. Burn permits have been distributed to sign-up locations. The permit information will be shared with Lyon County 911 Communications Center.

The LEOP must be brought up to the 2014 standards by 2017. Work will start with our community partners and businesses as soon as the new Emergency Manager is in place.

Jeff Welshans suggested applying for a HMEP grant from DOT for a training exercise in fiscal year 2016. The grant application is due by January 15, 2016. Jack Taylor was approached by Emergency Manager Scott Wiltse to do a joint exercise with Chase County.

Motion to explore a partnership with Chase County on a grant funded exercise/ pursue grant funding for a training exercise: Jeff Cope (Brandon Beck) 17-0

Discipline Reports:

Sheriff's Office:

The Emergency Manager position is posted and closes on January 15th. Applications can be obtained in Human Resources at the Lyon County Court House and on the Lyon County Web- site.

Road & Bridge: None

Westar Energy: None

Lyon County Community Health:

Jennifer Skiles gave a brief presentation on the progress of updating the ESF 8- Mass Fatalities Plan. KDHE has created a fill in the blank template for counties to follow. However, it will not work for Lyon County. Jennifer would like to send out the ESF 8 document to LEPC members for review. She would also like to send copies to agencies or departments who play key roles to make sure they can support the plan and to identify any training gaps.

Mental Health Center:

Bill Persinger has resigned as the Executive Director of The Mental Health Center. Rob Runquist is the interim Executive Director. The Mental Health Center continues to provide better services to patients.

Tyson Meats: None

*It was mentioned that the reason Tyson is a Title III/Hazmat Tier II is the on-site storage of over 10,000lbs of Ammonia at the facility.

Communications: None

Fire Department: None

Public Works: None

EMS: None

Salvation Army: None

Emporia State University:

The New President Allison Garrett started yesterday. There is a community welcome Scheduled for Thursday from 4-6 at the Emporia Arts Center. January 20th School will be back from winter break and in session.

Carrie Boettcher suggested LEPC do something to honor Rick Frevert and show our respect. Jennifer Skiles agrees that something should be done. Carrie volunteered to coordinate.

The next LEPC Meeting:

April 5th 2016
Lyon County Sheriff's Office
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

There being no further business, the LEPC adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Motion to adjourn:

Carrie Boettcher (Brandon Beck)

17-0

Respectfully,

Catherine
Catherine Ernst
LEPC Secretary