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January 10, 2019

The Lyon County Sheriff's Office was the location of the January 10<sup>th</sup> LEPC meeting. Those attending were:

Allison King, Flint Hills Care Center  
Jarrod Fell, Lyon County Emerg. Management  
John Koelsch, Lyon County Sheriff's Office  
Keith Senn, Emporia Public Works  
Lane Massey, The City of Emporia  
Claude Williamson, Presbyterian Manor  
Andrew McHenry, Emporia State University  
Kevin Risley, Emporia Police Department  
Drew Rickabaugh, Hill's Pet Nutrition  
Rolland Trahoon, Westar Energy  
Roxanne VanGundy, 911 Communications  
Tammy Vopat, Lyon County Clerk  
Jim Tilton, Emporia Police Dept.  
Yvonne Colunga, Tyson Foods  
Victoria Smith, Court Trustee  
Aaron Scheve, Kansas Parks and Wildlife  
Lesley Gilger, Presbyterian Manor  
Megan Tajchman, Fresenius Kidney Care  
Renee Hively, Flint Hills Community Health  
Ruth Wheeler, District Court  
Lydia Kautz, The Emporia Gazette  
David Whittington, Holiday Resort

Matt Collins, Lyon County Road & Bridge  
Dallas Sedgwick, Hopkins Manufacturing  
Brandy Schaefer, Lyon County LCAT  
Jim Anderson, DaVita Emporia Dialysis  
Jeff Cope, Lyon County Sheriff  
Cathy Ernst, Lyon County LEPC Secretary  
Amanda Cunningham, Crosswinds  
Pam Purdum, Tyson Foods  
Adela Maynez, Hopkins Manufacturing  
Suzanne Worthen-Miller, The Salvation Army  
Sanjuanna Le, Hills Pet Nutrition  
Christina Dains, Hand in Hand Hospice  
Brandon Beck, Emporia EMS  
John Rode, BNSF Railway Co/EWI  
Steve "Doc" Graham, Lyon County COAD  
Andrea Elwood, N.R.H., Hand in Hand Hospice  
Darrel Drake, Detroit Diesel Reman  
Maria Morris, Detroit Diesel Reman  
Kelly Bolin, USD 253-Emporia  
Brandee Ball, Lyon County State Bank  
Duke Vair, Hopkins Manufacturing

LEPC Chair Victoria Smith called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m., followed by introductions of those present.

**Motion:** To approve the July 12<sup>th</sup> minutes:

Jim Tilton (John Koelsch) 32-0

Victoria Smith presented the LEPC Tier II reports for members review. These reports are available to the public upon request and will be present at every quarterly meeting of the LEPC. To view Tier II reports, please contact Cathy Ernst at Lyon County Emergency Management, 425 Mechanic Street, Emporia Kansas 66801 620-341-3203.

Old Business: None

**New Business:**

A Northeast Region, LEPC Tabletop Exercise, Course ID#1081641 will be conducted by the Kansas Division of Emergency Management on February 28, 2019 in Topeka at the Capital Plaza Hotel. A ten-person team is needed for our county to participate. Please let Jarrod or Cathy know if you are interested in being a part of this exercise as soon as possible.

**Membership Updates:**

Jordan Hartman has resigned her position as Vice-Chair due to a change in employment. She would like to remain on LEPC as a private citizen.

**Motion:** To elect Andrew McHenry- Emergency Manager, Emporia State University as LEPC Vice-Chair for 2019.

Jim Tilton (Tim Frevert) 32-0

**Motion:** To elect new members to LEPC:

Drew Rickabaugh-EOHS Manager, Hills Pet Nutrition  
Darrel Drake-Safety/Environmental Engineer, Detroit Diesel

Aaron Scheve (Jim Tilton) 32-0

**Motion:** To remove Mike Argabright from LEPC due to non-attendance. Mike is welcome rejoin when his time will allow attendance to the quarterly meetings.

Jeff Cope (Jim Tilton) 34-0

**Guest Speakers:**

John Rode, BNSF Railway/Environmental Works  
A presentation was given on BNSF response capabilities and a brief case study.

**Coordinator Report:**

Quarterly hazardous materials and spills update: None

A detailed discussion of the October 11, 2018, Lyon County LEPC Tabletop Exercise, After-Action Report/Improvement Plan was conducted. A big thank you to planning and industry partners for their participation in this event. A hard copy of the exercise and follow-up reports were provided to the group. Please contact Cathy if you would like a copy of this document emailed to you.

2019 LEPC quarterly meetings will be held on April 11, July 11 and October 10 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. If you are unable to attend any of the meetings, please notify Cathy and send a representative from your agency in your place.

A brief update was given on the Lyon County radio project.

Jarrod discussed his opinion on the responsibilities of long-term care facilities with regards to back up generator support.

There will be a G-191 EOC/ICS- Interface training held in Lyon County on January 23, 2019.

The 2019 EPA Region 7 LEPC Planning and Response Conference will be held in Omaha, Nebraska on August 8-10, 2019. Please let Cathy know if you are interested in attending.

Jarrod inquired if the group was interested in planning and participating in an LEPC exercise for 2019 and requested member feedback.

A Training and Exercise Planning Workshop will follow this meeting. All members are invited to attend.

**Discipline Reports:**

**Public Works:**

The Director of Public Works Frank Abart has resigned. His last day is January 11, 2019. Keith Senn is the interim director until the position is filled.

L-Cat: None

Hopkins Manufacturing: None

DaVita Kidney Care: None

Tyson Foods:

A big thanks to Emergency Management for all that they do.

The Salvation Army:

Suzanne has resigned her position effective on May 10, 2019. The Salvation Army would like to have a replacement hired by April 2019 to allow time for training before Suzanne leaves.

Crosswinds Counseling and Wellness: None

Fresenius Kidney Clinic: None

Emporia State University: None

Flint Hills Community Health Center:

A new Dentist will be starting in March of 2019.

Fire Department/EMS: None

Emporia Police Department: None

Sheriff's Office: None

Flint Hills Care Center: None

Road & Bridge/Highway Department: None

Hand in Hand Hospice: None

Presbyterian Manor: None

Hill's Pet Nutrition: None

Lyon County Clerk: None

CapStone Insurance/COAD: None

Holiday Resort:

Holiday Resort is looking into a new disaster recover device. BoomBox is a device that can be used for skilled nursing facilities to restore critical communications as well as tracking and reporting on resident care. For more information contact David Whittington.

Communications: None

The City of Emporia: None

Westar Energy: None

USD-253 Emporia:

The Kansas State Legislature has made a one year change to the law requiring monthly fire drills in school. This year the law requires that there be 4 fire drills and 9 safety drills be conducted. USD-253 trains staff and students at three different levels when conducting safety drills in their facilities. This enhances the quality of the training and preparedness.

Detroit Diesel Reman: None

Lyon County District Court: None

Kansas Parks and Wildlife: None

Court Trustee: None

Lyon County State Bank: None

The next LEPC Meeting:

April 11, 2019  
Lyon County Sheriff's Office  
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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

Respectfully,

*Catherine*

Catherine Ernst  
LEPC Secretary