

Minutes of the Potter & Randall County Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting

Date of Meeting: December 17, 2009

Location: Operations, 1900 Line Ave

Call to Order: 1:30 PM

Members Present:

Laura Blount	Cole Camp	Rusty Dillon	Lee Drury
Linda Kelley	Walt Kelley	Maribel Martinez	Jay Sandridge
Randy Smith	Kevin Starbuck	Theresa West	

Organizational Members Present:

Paul Carson (Nustar Energy)	Wes Hill (APD)	Tanya Petty, B&W Pantex
Pierce Pillon (Tech Spray)		

Members at Large Present

Jarrold Dunavin, TCEQ

Interested People Present

Randol Duval, APD	Eddie Fuentes, Lonestar Ventures
Keith Tyler, El Paso Natural Gas Co	Richard Wheatley, El Paso Natural Gas Co
Guy Wilkins, TCEQ	Mike Webb, Canyon Fire Dept
Judith Weshinsky-Price, AECC	

Members Not Present:

Ernie Houdashell	Walt Howard	Duane Rosa	Derek Patton
Deree Duke	David Lorenz	Lonnie Bowen	Gene Blaker
Wayne Hardin	Pat Donovan		

Organizational Members Not Present

Rick Blandford (AFD)	David Thurman (RCSO)	Richard Lake (PCFD)
David Garcia (EPNG)	Mike Taylor (TxDOT)	Charlie Rivas (Rivas Environmental)

Kevin Starbuck, LEPC Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Item 1: The Chairman, Kevin Starbuck, asked for a motion that the minutes from September 3, 2009 be approved as written. Motion was made by Maribel to accept the minutes. Motion was seconded and carried.

Item 2: Eddie Fuentes requested membership. Randy moved to accept the request. Motion was seconded and carried. Motion was made by Rusty to accept membership request for Mike Webb. Motion was seconded and carried.

Item 3: Kevin led a review of the hazmat incidents that occurred since the last meeting. Level 1 suspected meth lab at 1500 Wallace, diesel spill at Jason & Magnolia, small ammonia release at Tyson, and a gas pipeline rupture at Bushland. Mike Taylor also stated he was working with TCEQ

on an underground leak near NE Loop 335. This was a long term situation and not an emergency release so not reportable to the LEPC.

Richard Wheatley discussed the pipeline explosion at Bushland. The pipeline was in place before the neighborhood grew and was routinely checked for maintenance issues. It has been determined that an upward force was the cause but no determination has been made as to what caused the force. Kevin reported 5,000 calls came in to 9-1-1 dispatchers in 45 minutes. The EOC was activated and did notifications to the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM).

Item 4: Participation in Business Connection to be held May 4, 2010 led to a motion by Walt Kelley to reserve the same booth as in the past. Rental is \$275.00. Motion was seconded and carried.

Item 5: Subcommittee reports were received from Public Education & Information who met Sept 3, 2009; Hazmat Facilities & Transportation Liaison met Sept 3, 2009, and Right-to-Know met on Oct 29, 2009. TIER II Reports and CAMEO search capabilities were discussed. Letters will be sent to submitters and training on how to submit with guidelines for filing online as the focus will be sought.

Item 6: Kevin announced the dedication of the new EOC on Jan 19, 2010. The next meeting may be held in tat facility. Then Jan 20 is the Regional Emergency Preparedness Conference at the Civic Center. Registration forms will be forwarded to all LEPC members. Walt discussed access for responders in the new EOC.