

CHIPPEWA COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
REGULAR MEETING: April 24, 2023 1:00 p.m.
Room 003 Chippewa County Courthouse

1. CALL TO ORDER

John Andersen called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Note
John Andersen	Chairperson, Media Rep.	Present	
Vacant	Emergency Management Director		
Jerry Clark	UW Extension	Present	
Eric Goebel	Transportation	Present	
Rick Bowe	Citizen Representative	Present	
Amanda Lierman	Industry Representative	Absent	
Chip Eckardt	Citizen Amateur Radio Representative	Present	
John Bowe	HazMat/Fire Dept. Representative	Present	
Tamee Foldy	Emergency Communications Center Dir.	Present	
Vacant	Public Health Officer		
Travis Klukas	Mayo Clinic Health System	Present	
George Rohmeyer	County Board Representative	Present	
Marcy Trubshaw	Emergency Management	Present	

Also present: Dean Mueller, Chippewa County Board, District 20; Bruce Fuerbringer, 5 Alarm Consulting

Introductions

3. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO BE HEARD

None

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve the Agenda
- B. Approve the Minutes of **February 20, 2023**
- C. Upcoming Meeting Dates:
 - August 28, 2023**
 - October 23, 2023**
 - December 18, 2023**

Motion by Jerry Clark to approved the consent agenda with second by John Bowe.
Motion carried unanimously.

5. REPORTS

A. Commodity Flow Study - Bruce Fuerbringer, 5 Bugle Training and Consulting, LLC

Bruce Fuerbringer introduced and explained the Hazardous Materials Commodity Flow Study and focused on the results from Chippewa County. The purpose for the study is to provide a knowledge basis for a county's risk assessment and emergency planning processes specific to transportation-related hazardous materials release.

The following recommendations were created to assist in the planning for dealing with a hazardous materials release, and subsequent emergency response to a transportation accident.

1. Review overall preparedness of the County emergency management and emergency response agencies to mitigate a transportation incident involving hazardous materials.
2. Schedule a minimum of annual hazardous materials response training.
3. Inventory response equipment related to a hazardous materials incident.

Chemicals from observation point in Chippewa County included:

- Elevated Temperature Liquid
- Nitrogen
- LP
- Gasoline
- Nitrogen, Cryogenic
- HOT, N.O.S.

B. Chairman's Report – John Andersen

- John discussed Union Pacific change to minimum crews and moving to electronic manifests.
- John has contacted State Senator Jesse James funding for the PFAS removal.
- There was a bill regarding fire suppression training hours.

C. Hazardous Materials Events –John Bowe

John mentioned the sulfuric acid tanker rollover in Stanley. The Type 3 team responded. The outer liner of the tank had been pierced but the inner tank was not damaged. They stayed on scene until the tanker was safely righted.

John B. brought up the Emergency Management vacancy. He stated an immediate need to fill the position and asked where it was in the process. Marcy stated that they are in the third posting and have several possible candidates. More will be known in the near future. John B. mentioned that this is starting the fourth month without a Director. He suggested that an interim Director be hired and then stay with the new Director until he/she is onboard and comfortable with the Wisconsin Emergency Management system. More help is needed and if Marcy could add hours it would be helpful.

John Bowe made a motion which was seconded by Paul "Chip" Eckardt to have John Anderson, as Chair of the LEPC send a letter to the County Board Chair, Dean Gullickson, addressing the vacant position, requesting a six-month interim Director. Motion passed.

D. Emergency Management Report – Marcy Trubshaw

Marcy discussed the following emergency management issues:

- Sandbagging process and the flooding event
- Issues since last meeting to include "historic" winter storm, ice storm, Lake Holcombe wastewater treatment plant, 1000 gallons of diesel spill, sulfuric acid tanker rollover.
- Upcoming issues including Country Fest, Rock Fest, Country Jam, NWSF, OneFest, 2024 planning for Farm Technology Days. Country Jam intends on have one 3-day event and 10 one day events annually.
- Storm Spotter class a success with 28 participants.
- HMEG coming up

E. Community Partner Reports

- Travis Klukas presented the MCHC-Chippewa Valley Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA). He discussed the four top hazards being Staffing Challenges, Tornado Warning-Minor, Infectious Diseases (Global Severe) and Acts/Threats of Violence.

Motion by John Andersen with a second by Eric Goebel to recognize the MCHC HVA. Motion carried.

Travis also mentioned the need to plan a drill at MCHC-Chippewa Valley to address Active Shooter. He and Marcy will discuss more.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. Integrated Preparedness Plan – Marcy quickly reviewed the form and will be sending it to the committee members who have not yet completed it.

B. Annual Business Items

The following business items were submitted, discussed and voted on individually.

1. Chippewa Falls Fire and Emergency Service Haz Mat Billing Response Structure
Motion by Rick Bowe, seconded by Jerry Clark to accept the Haz Mat Response Structure. Motion carried.
2. Process for reviewing Haz Mat billing
Motion by Chip Eckardt, seconded by Travis Klukas to accept the Haz Mat Billing Reviewing Process. Motion carried.
3. LEPC Membership list was presented for approval. There are currently two vacancies in the committee, First Aid/Health and Emergency Management. Motion by Jerry Clark, seconded by Rick Bowe to accept the LEPC Membership list. Motion carried.

4. Office of Compliance Inspector. Tamee nominated John Andersen as the Compliance Inspector, seconded by John Bowe. Motion carried. John Andersen abstained from the vote.
5. Bylaws presented for approval. The changes were also submitted. Motion by Rick Bowe, seconded by Chip Eckardt to accept the changes to the Bylaws. Motion carried.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Tamee Foldy, seconded by Jerry Clark to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried at 2:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcy Trubshaw