Westchester County





MEETING MINUTES

Date:December 12, 2013Time:9:00 am to 11:30 amLocation:4 Dana Road, Valhalla, NY

Attendees

Dan Chess Joe Pondiccio Mark Drozdov Nyle Salley Chris Lalak Scot Phelps Jeff Meade IBM WCDPW/T CES/AIHA WCDES/EMS WCDOH RTC/WMC WCHazMat Nadine MacuraNYSDoniella McKoyPeeKevin RyanWCPete PitoccoWCPeter McDonoughWCDennis DelborgoWCBrian AndersonPace

NYSOEM Peekskill OEM WCOEM WCDES WCDEF WCOEM Pace Univ.

Statements by Chairperson

Meeting held at the FTC, 4 Dana Road, Valhalla, NY. Meeting was called to order by Dan Chess at 9:10 a.m.

Members were requested to sign in. Dan made an announcement that Liz cannot make the meeting

Minutes

Minutes from the October 10, 2013 meeting were read by Dan. There were no changes suggested. The motion was voted on, and the minutes were accepted.

Technical Presentation

"Radiation Injury Treatment Network" - Scot Phelps, JD, MPH, Paramedic, Board-Certified Emergency Manager, Westchester Medical Center, Dept of Disaster & Emergency Services

Old Business

<u>Hazardous Materials Response Plan</u> – The review and any updates to the plan will be held over until Spring. There will be a separate meeting to discuss.

LEPC Representation/Participation – This will be held over until the next meeting.

LEPC By-Laws – The discussion on the by-laws was tabled to a later date.

<u>LEPC Intern</u> - The discussion on the intern was tabled to a later date.

New Business

The meeting schedule for the coming year will be discussed in March. The proposed meeting schedule that was discussed in October was acceptable for board members.

Correspondence/Communications

In November there was a request for a list of TIER II facilities located within the county.

Spill Drills

The combined drill will be held over until May 2014.

County Report

There were many small oil spills.

There was a spill at a county office building. 15 gallons of the cooling tower biocide, gluteraldehyde, spilled out of its container onto the floor. The chemical then leaked to flooring, carpeting, sheet rock and ceiling tiles. Due to the strong odor of the chemical, the area was evacuated until the cleanup was completed.

A Tarrytown office building hydraulic elevator had a leak of hydraulic oil from the elevator telescoping jack.

A Yonkers home was contaminated due to a fuel oil truck leak. The oil was also found in the Bronx River. The occupants were allowed to move back into the house.

IBM Somers had a 110 gallon fuel oil leak into containment.

At NYCDEP Shaft 18, a chlorine leak occurred that was detected by chlorine/fluorine alarms. The treatment plant monitors indicated very high levels of chlorine. Responders suited in Level A and performed a number of entries. Tank system valve was turned off on the chlorine system after the second entry into the building. The building was ventilated of chlorine gas. The building chlorine scrubber system was overwhelmed by the concentrated chlorine. Responders used fog from fire crews to augment the wet scrubber. The chlorinated water was discharged into the floor drain sanitary sewer. A chlorine smell was detected at a nearby home. Chlorine from the sewer entered the home. The sewer manholes and piping were flushed until the chlorine smell dissipated.

The Meeting of the LEPC was adjourned at 11:30 am.

The date for the next LEPC meeting was scheduled for March 13, 2014 at 9:00 am. The technical presentation will be determined later.