

OFFICIAL MINUTES
ST. CROIX COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
DECEMBER 6, 2012 - 1:00 P.M., GOVERNMENT CENTER, COMMUNITY ROOM
1101 CARMICHAEL ROAD, HUDSON, WISCONSIN

Meeting was called to order by Chair Roger Larson at 1:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Roger Larson, Daryl Standafer, Dave Ostness, Casey Swetlik, Ed Thurman, Jan Nelson, Janet Smith, Jeff Klatt, Kristen Sailer, Matt Melby, Terry Andersen, Tim Ramberg, Jill Ellestad, MaryEllen Bol, Eric Nikolai, Bob Olson.

Absent: Ron Kiesler (excused), Andy Brinkman, Joe Hurtgen, Jon Aubart (excused), Margaret Ontl(excused), Mike Koscinski, Chuck Mehls, Ruth Talford, Duana Bremer. Others Present: Jason Winget (ARC), Dan Burgess, John Kruk

APPROVAL OF 9/6/2012 MINUTES

Minutes from the September 6, 2012 meeting were accepted.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – MARCH 14, 2013. Meeting time will remain at 1:00 PM.

NEW BUSINESS

Recommendation from Planning subcommittee to approve off-site Facility Plans: Mary Ellen Bol spoke on behalf of the planning subcommittee. The two facility plans are for Foremost Farms and Johnson controls. Both of the facilities have closed and these are the final plans. A Bol/Ostness motion was made to approve the plans. Carried.

Distribution of LEPC By-Laws for review

Smith reported on the proposed changes to the By-Laws. Members were given a set of the current By-Laws and a set with the proposed changes. Members were asked to review and give any suggestions or comments on changes to Swetlik, Sailer or Smith by January. After review by the Chair the By-Laws will be sent to Corporation Counsel in February. A vote will be scheduled for the March meeting.

Recommendation from Membership Committee for renewal of current member terms: Swetlik reported on the current 14 members whose terms expire in December. The membership committee has discussed a modification of the member term to be continual until the member chooses to resign. Discussion. Chair Larson would like to see the proposed language for continual membership in the By-Laws presented in March.

The membership committee is also waiting for a response from the Wisconsin Emergency management office on the inclusion of an agency as a member vs individuals.

Swetlik introduced Dan Burgess, Chief of Police from the Village of Roberts. Dan will represent the Law Enforcement group. Swetlik also introduced Jason Winget, from American Red Cross.

Update of Hazard Mitigation Plan: Sailer reports the Plan has been submitted and approved by the State office and now has been submitted to FEMA. FEMA has 45 days to review. Once FEMA has approved the next step will be a resolution from Public Protection and then County Board to adopt the Plan. She is expecting a response from FEMA in the upcoming weeks.

Special Presentation from Precision Ag-New Richmond:

Sailer introduced Tom Overby, Gery Steinmetz, and Dean Danielson from Precision Ag in New Richmond. Overby, Steinmetz and Danielson presented information on training, safety, EPA regulations, inspections and operations of their facility. The facility received the Wisconsin 2008 Environmental Respect Award. The Committee thanked the presenters for their time and presentation.

Committee and Public Comments: Jason Winget from American Red Cross is available for long-term canteen services. American Red Cross has services for families and residents both with and without insurance. American Red Cross also provides licensed mental health services during times of disaster. Jason introduced John Kruk from the ARES/RACES group.

ADJOURN

Chair Larson adjourned the meeting at 2:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Janet Smith, LEPC Secretary