

LEPC #12

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

C/O TWO RIVERS-OTTAUQUECHEE REGIONAL COMMISSION
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FEBRUARY 18, 2010
6:00 – 8:00 PM
VSP STATION, ROYALTON, VT

MINUTES

Attendees: Stephen Ward, Alan Lyford, Vernal Stone, Bill Baylis, Anthony Ercole, Candi Christensen, Neil Fulton, Richard Lancaster, Mark Belisle, Gerald Fredrickson, Steve Hill, Ray Keefe, Jim Tonkovich, Stepehn Leinoff, Kevin Cole, Bill Burden, Mike Manning, Andrea Hatch, Kevin Geiger, Ken Goss, Mike Chamberlain

Bill Burden call the meeting to order to 0610 and introductions were made.

Bill asked for any comments on the minutes, and there being none they will be filed as final.

Richard Lancaster reviewed the Treasurer's Report as handed out, and noted there are still some leftover funds that the group can decide how to expend. He also noted we may need to shift banks to avoid account fees since we have a low balance. Neil Fulton commented that some other LEPCs have not requested their allotments and maybe we should see if we can get extra funding. The report was filed. Richard noted that he would not be running for Treasurer again.

Kevin Geiger gave an overview of the mini tabletop "simulation" initiative, with a flood prediction as the basic scenario for the April meeting. Bill requested any town interested in being the focus and location of the exercise to please contact the LEPC.

Tony Ercole gave a very good presentation on the capacity of the VA hospital in WRJ and their emergency preparedness. They have a designated emergency committee, an EOC, a large cache of supplies with 5 days food and water always on site, fuel for 30 days, and redundant backup generators. They will be doing a full-scale exercise on March 3, 2010

Neil Fulton gave a brief update on the Upper Valley MRC, noting they are up to 27 members with hopes of having 50 by July. Neil also mentioned the Senator Sanders meeting coming up at VTC on March 20.

Jim Tonkovich gave an update on 211 and their new ability to serve as information points for towns to use for local incidents.

Kevin gave a brief report on SERC activities and the latest HMEP funding. Candi mentioned that EPA will do cleanout of schools of HazMat.

Kevin and Jim updated the group on the possible combination of LEPC 3 and 12 CERTs, and the group gave Kevin the OK to keep discussing ways to work together.

Bill noted officers will be elected at the next meeting and sought help with the nominating committee.

Under Other Business there was a discussion on narrowbanding and VCOMM, license updates, and pager grant agreement clauses to hold exercises. The upcoming animals in disaster conference was noted, as well as a state push to do outreach to special populations

Meeting adjourned at 7:44.