



Utah County Sheriff's Office
North Annex Training Room
256 W 3200 N, Spanish Fork

Utah County LEPC Minutes

May 19, 2022, 14:00-15:00

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kelly Johnson - Chair
Thayne Routh - Vice Chair
Allison Jester - Secretary
Janeen Olson - Info Coordinator
Peter Quittner - Utah County Emergency Manager

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jeff Beaty, Chris Blinzinger, Andrew Christensen, Mitch Christensen, Whitney Coonrad, Jeff Dunn, Terry Ficklin, Brian Harris, Luis Jimenez, Eric Kerwin, Niel Martin, John Marx, Kaci Reder, Emily Schellhous, Christy Seiger-Webster, Garrison Spencer, Heath Stevenson, Ryan Toone, Dave Ulibarri, Jeff Weber, Bailey White.

Open the Meeting

1. Welcome & Introductions

Presentation

1. Special Response Team (SRT) Presentation by Donny VanMoose with Provo Fire.
 - a. Donny VanMoose presented on the Special Response Team (SRT). The SRT responds to HAZMAT, high angle, confined space, trench, structure collapse, and water rescue.
 - b. Each participating department has a specialty, and houses and maintains the equipment for that specialty (Provo - Structure, Orem - Hazmat, Lehi - Trench, Saratoga - Water Rescue). The members of the team train extensively in all areas. The nearest station will respond and SRT will be called out if applicable. Response times vary, but the first station will get the ball rolling with a few SRT on scene. Within the hour, the team will be on scene if necessary. Priorities are life safety, incident stabilization, property conservation. Once priorities are achieved, the situation is passed off for clean up. For example: Save the life, stop the leak, contain the spill, pass it off.
 - c. If you have an incident at your facility, you can provide the following information to be of most help: head count and injuries, products involved including quantity and type (MSDS), and pertinent facility information. You should find command (guy in the white hat) and stay nearby to answer questions.
 - d. Questions
 - i. How often do you get called out?
 1. A few times a year.

- ii. For larger facilities - do you have access to plans? Or should you have it ready?
 - 1. Tier IIs are available, but it's best to have it there and give it to the white hat. There is a lot of info they don't have. They try to get it, but it is difficult to get. It's best to have it on-site and ready if possible.
- iii. Do you make notifications up the chain?
 - 1. Anyone who is affected should be notified by dispatch through the Chief (emergency managers, EPA, airport, water conservation district).
- iv. Do you get involved in HAZMAT drills?
 - 1. Not really. They have participated in mass casualty exercises.
- v. From a budgetary standpoint - do you have issues getting funding for materials? How do you utilize data?
 - 1. Most money comes from the County. Some departments fund the training and small equipment.
- e. Companies said they would be happy to do exercises with SRT and they want to have discussions about how they can partner to increase equipment and cover needs. These relationships and partnerships are the reason for LEPC - getting everyone in the same room helps start discussions.

General Meeting Items

- 1. Review & Approve Meeting Minutes - March 10, 2022
 - a. Thayne Routh moved to approve the March 10, 2022 minutes. Luis Jimenez seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried. Minutes Approved.
- 2. General LEPC Business - LEPC Chair or Designee
 - a. Meetings & Activities for 2022:
 - June: Tours with North and South Solid Waste Districts.
 - June 9, 14:00 @ South Valley Solid Waste
 - June 14, 11:00 @ North Pointe Solid Waste
 - June 30, 9:00 - 12:00 @ Intermountain Regional Landfill
 - July: EHS Planning Templates (Thayne Routh, Aristatek); Dominion Energy (Ron Sand)
 - August: Tour TBD
 - September: Hydro/IHC exercise report
 - October: HAZMAT TTX
 - Kelly Johnson inquired about methods for the TTX including if we want to use a fake company or take a realistic approach and use a real company and plan. Most individuals present preferred the realistic approach.
 - Chris Blinzinger commented that it is important to involve operators such as the SRT as soon as possible in the process to increase the efficacy of the exercise.
 - November: Civil Support Team (US ARMY) - The US Army will be completing an exercise at the Sheriff's office and we will be able to observe part of their operation that day.
 - December: Social for all to enjoy.

- b. Region 8 Industry workshop.
 - i. Potential half day in July
 - ii. What topics are pertinent?
 - 1. All topics may be pertinent. There is turnover, and many businesses are not involved or are new. Spill and release is a subject that people mentioned being interested in.
 - iii. How do we get more people at the table who are not reporting?
 - 1. Anyone who generates waste must have an EPA number. The board will inquire with DEQ to acquire information if possible and extend invitations.
- c. LEPC Membership (forms and new members)
 - i. Forms are available online, at all meetings, or by request through email.
- d. Website Announcement (Allison Jester)
 - i. New Utah County LEPC website: **lepc.utahcounty.gov**
- e. Email List (Thayne Routh)
 - i. Thayne increased the email list based on Tier II data submitted this year. We will be sending those contacts invites to join LEPC.
 - ii. We encourage EMs to contact facilities in your city and invite them to join LEPC, many of them may not know what LEPC is or that they should be involved. Kelly has had a great reception to reaching out and developing relationships.

3. Action Items - None

Briefings

- 1. Utah County Emergency Manager, Peter Quittner
 - a. None
- 2. State Liaison - Whitney Coonrad
 - a. ICS 300 course is being offered soon, find training on Utrain to sign up.
 - b. The State EOC is at a level 4 activation to monitor drought and potential fires.
 - c. The LEPC conference has been tabled for now. More information from DEM to come.
- 3. Local Incident Briefs
 - a. Utah County blasted beaver dams yesterday for the Utah Water Conservancy District. This process involves lots of planning and permits, but it is better for the environment than utilizing heavy equipment to restore the waterways.

Other Business - None.

Adjourn Meeting

- 1. Janeen Olson moved to adjourn and Garrison Spencer seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 15:04.

Next Meeting July 21, 2022 @ 14:00

