



Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2024

VIA TEAMS/TELECONFERENCE

Trice Burgess, Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office
Vanessa L. Baker, Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office
Richard Michelback, Chairman / Fairfax County Public Schools
Margaretta Loya, Environmental Compliance CIA
Kristi Bartlett, Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department (FRD)
Fernando Casteneda, Department of Homeland Security
Bowman Olds, Prince William County LEPC
Jason Taylor, Colonial Pipeline
Joseph Colien, Inova
Christopher Haupt, VA DBHDS (Northern VA Mental Health)
Liza Sabine, Fairfax County Health Department
Natanuel Murray, Colonial Pipeline
Cary Petrovich, Fairfax County Police Department
Bart Routh, SICPA (Vice Chairman)
Laurel Shultzaberger, Fairfax County Department of Public Works
Jason Thompson, Fairfax County Police Department
Gregory Zebrowski, Fairfax County VDEMS
John Higginbotham, VDEMS
Matthew Adkins, Prince William County LEPC
Michael J. Cronin, Quest Diagnostic
Monika Mihaley, Citizen

STAFF SUPPORT

Trice Burgess, Fairfax County, FRD
Vanessa L. Baker (Vee), Fairfax County, FRD

FJLEPC MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chairman Richard Michelback, called the April 11, 2024, meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 10:00 a.m. He welcomed everyone to the virtual meeting, and roll call was taken by Trice Burgess. (See above)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Michelback asked everyone if there were any suggestions, edits, or requests to the February 8, 2024, meeting minutes. It was decided that we're going to stop doing the transcripts and switch over to our regular meeting minutes. By doing this, it will make them a little bit shorter, more concise, maybe a little easier for all of us to go over, and it will directly address the issues that we discussed without a lot of extraneous detail.

Chairman Michelback noted: If no one has any objections and/or suggestions for the February 8th minutes, to get someone to motion that we adopt those. Bowman Olds, PWC LEPC, motioned for the meeting minutes to be approved. Jason Thompson, Fairfax County PD seconded the motion. Motion carried and was approved.

REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Communications:

Gregory Zebrowski, Fairfax County VDEMS reported that their communication efforts are good and they're still using multiple means of messaging through Fairfax alerts, social media, and their community. Engagement keeps working on new products and technologies every day to figure out how they can continue to send out the message.

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Business Outreach:

Greg Zebrowski reported that they continue working with their Department of Economic Initiatives and building relationships; pushing preparedness and messaging out through the many vast number of Chambers of Commerce that are within Fairfax County.

HMERP Exercise Subcommittee:

Trice Burgess, Fairfax County FMO reported that Chief Kristi Bartlett, Fairfax County FRD was running late this morning and nothing new on the exercise other than it's normally held in the fall or early winter each year.

CCC Liaison:

Bart Routh, SICPA, attended the CCC Liaison meeting as the Fairfax LEPC liaison; they went over each of the areas and got reports from the different areas. The next meeting will be April 25th.

Ways and Means:

Trice Burgess reported that Erik Peterson from Inova was not available today and he didn't provide any updates.

Liaison with other LEPCs:

Bowman Olds, PWC reported that they had their last meeting on March 12th, and they started the meeting with a special tribute and remembrance to Brian Atkins, their Prince William County HazMat coordinator for two years. Brian had an outstanding and stellar service with the city of Alexandria for almost 31 years and he left us with a lot of great memories and did a super job with us within our LEPC. We continued the meeting looking at some response highlights.

Additional Issues:

Bowman Olds reported that in most counties as they go through this process, especially from quarter to quarter where they had initially an illicit discharge of motor oil that migrated to the county, the suspect was charged and mandated the cleanup took place; that problem was solved for us.

Another issue, a home that was being cleaned out due to a resident that had passed away, they had discovered a Korean era gas grenade that was taken care of by the Virginia State Police. EOD, who assisted in the disposal there.

A third incident occurred in March of this year involving a vehicle accident with the vehicle and vehicle fluids in a creek which they were unable to recover. The product spilled from the car and was removed by the towing company.

In terms of response highlights included the propane bobtail truck that overturned and ended up with the flared product; that was quickly resolved.

Lastly, the HazMat program status was discussed covering such items as a compliance support with pepperoni and Sarah, Title 3, and OSHA HAZWOPER standards.

Bart Routh reported that he also attended the Loudon County LEPC meeting March 26th.
Highlights:

- Presentation on the Hidden Lane Superfund site that's in Loudon County. There's a water plume that is going towards the Potomac River; just getting started on that clean up.
- Recent Incidents: Hanger fire at the Leesburg Airport.
- Regular occurring gas lines strikes by construction.

SUBCOMMITTEES REPORTS:

HAZMAT RESPONSE TEAM (HMRT) UPDATE

RECENT INCIDENTS

Trice Burgess reported that last week they had an overturned aviation fuel tanker at Davison Airfield, Fort Belvoir, that we assisted on. They lost a couple of 1000 gallons of fuel; most of it had been cleaned up by private contractors. They pumped the tank off; it was taking care of. The event probably went for eight or ten hours or so.

HMRT TRAINING

Trice Burgess reported that his team is still doing monthly training; they're prepping for becoming a state asset, taking adding training and testing throughout the remainder of this year to get prepared for the state test.

FJLEPC COORDINATOR UPDATE

Trice Burgess reported the 2023 annual Tier 2 reporting period is now closed, the due date for that is March 1st of each year.

Tier II Manager Update and HMERP

Trice Burgess reported that currently in our HazConnect Management Records System for our Tier 2 facilities we have:

EPCRA Tier II Report

Online Tier II Manager Program Stats	
573	Facilities in System
426	Active Facilities
147	Inactive Facilities
159	Critical Hazard Facilities

- 425 facilities completed their 2023 annual reports.
- One facility that initiated off the 2023 but have not submitted and signed it yet.
- 154 facilities submitted revisions because we've been asking for all the chemical safety data sheets (SDS) to be attached to your ports, and a lot of them weren't coming in. HazConnect no longer has a third-party vendor providing us with that information. So that's the reason we're asking for the SDS sheets this time around.
- Seven facilities also submitted updates for the 2023.

FJLEPC Website:

Trice Burges updated the website recently. The December 2023 meetings were added and a week to the US EPA eco web page.

Dates for this coming year:

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
April 20, 2024	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Public Safety Day Off	South County High School, Norton Franconia area
May 4, 2024	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Tacoma Community Days	6101 Norwood Drive, Falls Church
May 18, 2024	11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	McLean Day Festival	Lewinsville Park
September date TBD	TBD	McLean Day Festival	Lewinsville Park
** TBD	TBD	Public Safety Days at Masons	TBD

NOTE: ** Public Safety Days at Masons: Currently no information on exact location and time for this event.

Anyone interested in attending any events, please let Trice Burgess know and he will contact Courtney with VDEMS to get you on the list.

Old Business:

Chairman Michelback reported the following:

- We needed to be out there doing a little bit more in the Community, making ourselves more visible, letting the public know that we're out there; what we do and why we do it.

- Sharing information.
- Visual displays (e.g., a trifold foam poster board type with some highlights of the LEPC program: what it does, maybe the Tier 2 program, what that revolves, details about the Bopal incident).
- Talk about some of the incidents that we've had within the county to let people know that this stuff can happen here.
- Chairman Michelback volunteered for the first event on April 20th.
- Put together some of those highlights in bullet format on a poster that we can use from now on or use for this year.
- If there are any incidents in Fairfax that we should put up there like a Word document with maybe a picture or two attached that I could just take, and we could print it out in a larger font and just stick and paste it onto a foam board and then take it out to these different events.
- LEPC does not have any funding or no way to compensate you for your time (those who volunteer), but maybe you can work with your supervisor or with your company; maybe they could see this as some type of you know volunteer mission for you to get compensated somehow, maybe get a flex time or something like that.
- Follow up with Chairman Michelback if interested in volunteering.

New Business: None.

Roundtable / Member Updates

Trice Burgess called for roundtable/member updates.

- Chief Bartlett reported an incident down at Fort Belvoir; a truck that overturned and pumped off remaining fuel from truck; they had the incident mitigated right around the crash site and did a great job.
- Matthew Adkins reported that he is happy to be back home. He spent about 12 years as the HazMat coordinator Prince William County, ran off to private sector for a couple years and returned. We're going to do our best to make sure that Brian's memory is maintained here in the community, and the county, because he did a tremendous job. I'm glad to be back and I'm looking forward to participating in the LPC here as well.
- Christopher Haupt, DBHDS, I'm from the North Virginia Mental Health Institute. I don't have anything to report. I like to just sit in on these meetings and see what's going on and see if there's any learning opportunities, but I appreciate it.
- John Higginbotham, VDEM reported that he's getting ready to put on a HazMat Technician School next month that will be hosted by Prince William. We'll have attendees from Prince William, Loudon, MWAA, Fairfax, and one FBI agent that'll put 30 new technicians on the street and then we're prepping for one with Fairfax at the end of September.
- Monika Mihaley reported that she's a member of the public, a recent graduate with her MPH and she's here to learn more.
- Chairman Michelback reported nothing to report, however, he wanted to thank the leadership team of LEPC, Chief Barrett, and Vee for helping out while he was out. He missed the last meeting due to some small health issues; thanks for filling in for me last meeting.
- Bart Routh, SICPA, reported that they work closely with the BEP, making security inks for them, and that the BEP is building a new facility in Maryland.

For a little more info, we are making a new varnish for the BEP in our new varnish building and are almost fully into the new building (and almost out of the old building) – which ties into working with and coordinating with the BEP on a new component for new dollar bills. The BEP has also had a couple of changes in leadership, for which we are hosting of their new leaders tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Chairman Michelback called the meeting to be adjourned; the meeting was adjourned.

***The next meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee
will be held on June 13, 2024.***