



Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2025

VIA TEAMS/TELECONFERENCE Attendees

Trice Burgess, Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office (FRD)
Kristi Bartlett, Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department (FRD) & Vice-Chair
Frank Beylo, Inova Health Systems
Michael Cronin, Quest Diagnostics
Erik Peterson, Inova Fairfax
Andrew Irvine, Loudoun County OEM
Mark Keim, Fairfax County Health Department
Bowman Olds, Prince William County LEPC
Fernando Castaneda, DHS CISA
Courtney Lee, The Aerospace Corporation
Doug O'Neil, GMU
Mohamad Kamara, GMU
Jayson Thompson, Fairfax County PD
Joseph Colein, INOVA Fairfax Hospital
Bart Routh, Chairman, SICPA Securink Corp.
John Higginbotham, (VDEM)
Johna Gagnon, Fairfax County Environmental Quality Advisory Council (EQAC)
Fire Chief John O'Neal, Fairfax City Fire Department
Adrian Nelson, INOVA Fairfax Hospital Emergency Management
David Kennedy, Fairfax County Police Department
Umar Qudosi (FCPS)
Liza Sabine, Fairfax County Health Department
Steven Sites, Fairfax City FMO
Greg Zebrowski, Fairfax County DEMS
Matt Shultz, Loudoun LEPC and OEM
Vajeha Pervez, The Aerospace Corporation Health & Safety
Amara Smith, Colonial Pipeline
Jason Taylor, Colonial Pipeline

STAFF SUPPORT

Trice Burgess, Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office (FRD)

FJLEPC MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chairman Bart Routh, called the April 10, 2025, meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 10:00 a.m. Chairman Routh welcomed everyone to the virtual meeting. Roll call was taken by Trice Burgess. (See above)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Bart Routh asked everyone if there were any suggestions or comments to the February 13, 2025, meeting minutes before motion to approve. Johna Gagnon made a motion to approve the minutes. Bowman Olds seconded the motion. Motion carried and was approved.

REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Communications:

Greg Zebrowski advised that there are continuing efforts with our Community Engagement Division looking at new ways to push out messaging and different platforms as they come up. DEMS has reached out to the Rotary as requested by Johna Gagnon.

Business Outreach:

Greg Zebrowski stated that DEMS is also working via their Community Engagement section with the Chamber of Commerce and other business councils in the area to try and bolster our relationships.

HMERP Exercise Subcommittee:

Chief Kristi Bartlett advised no dates set yet. Will be working with Captain Wells and Erik Peterson on this year's exercise.

CCC Liaison:

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has disbanded this organization. Will remove this subcommittee report from future agendas.

Ways and Means:

Erik Peterson had nothing to report.

Liaison with other LEPC's:

Bowman Olds with Prince William LEPC advised the next meeting will be on June 11, 2025. Matt Shultz from Loudoun advised their next meeting will be on April 22, 2025. It will be a hybrid meeting on site at Fire Station 619 in the community room. Their guest speaker will be from Eastern Gas Transmission and Storage to discuss the Capital Area project. Loudoun has also been given approval to purchase the Hazconnect program for future Tier II reporting. Future meetings with the Loudoun LEPC will be held in the months of April, July, October, and January.

SUBCOMMITTEES REPORTS:

HAZMAT RESPONSE TEAM (HMRT) UPDATE

RECENT INCIDENTS

Battalion Chief Kristi Bartlett reported on a house fire that was started by a malfunction in an E-Bike and a fuel tanker accident in the Great Falls area of the County resulting in a 2,600-gallon gasoline spill. An environmental contractor is remediating the spill.

HMRT TRAINING

The Hazmat Team completed CTOS Secondary Screener Class for the region.

FJLEPC COORDINATOR UPDATE

Tier II Manager Update and HMERP

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

EPCRA Tier II Report

Online Tier II Manager Program Stats	
584	Total facilities in system
426	Active Facilities
158	Inactive Facilities
164	Critical Hazard Facilities (CHF)

- For 2025 Reporting cycle (2024 Data):
 - 407 reports submitted and approved
 - 1 report initiated
 - 17 outstanding reports that still need to be completed.
 - 1st Due app is update for each approved report
 - 8 new facilities added
 - 23 facilities went inactive
 - 96% submittal rate

FJLEPC Website:

- Updated with December meeting minutes attached.
- Stats for February: 285 visitors and 489 views
- Stats for March: 207 visitors and 305 views
- Looking for suggestions to add to the webpage and presentations for future meetings

Bart Routh also asked for suggestions for guest speakers and presentations for future meetings.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Four individuals were brought up for membership:
 - Mohammed Kamara, George Mason University
 - Umar Qudosi, Fairfax County Public Schools
 - Josheph Colein, INOVA Fairfax Hospital
 - Adrian Nelson, INOVA Fairfax Hospital
- Discussion was had and clarifications made that new members need to be voted on after attending two consecutive meetings. Public Safety agencies have standing membership by agency.
- Erik Peterson made a motion to accept the four individuals as new members of the FJLEPC. Johna Gagnon seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Roundtable / Member Updates

Trice Burgess called for roundtable/member updates.

- Doug O'Neal with GMU advised they had visits from VA DEQ for inspections involving underground storage tanks. They are also working on their five-year renewal of their integrated contingency plan. They hope to complete the plan by August.
- Erik Peterson, Inova Fairfax Hospital, advised they had an eight-hour HAZWOPER recertification class. They will have a meeting with their hospital chemical response team in May.
- Bart Routh with SICPA Securink Corp., stated the new varnish plant is in business. They will be looking at decommissioning the old plant at some point.
- Liza Sabine, Fairfax County Health Department, stated they will be having a chemical mass casualty incident tabletop exercise sponsored by the VA Department of Health. The health department will be participating in that. It's open to public health, Emergency Management, LEPCs, healthcare coalitions and other relevant stakeholders, so I wanted to mention it in case anyone here is going or is interested in more information. The exercise is this coming Monday, April 14th, local to Fairfax. It'll be some unidentified chemical with some type of water impact. So potentially surface water, groundwater, etc. So let me know if anybody wants more information on that.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Chairman Routh requested a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Bowman Olds and seconded by Erik Peterson. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:35.

***The next meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee
will be held on June 12, 2025.***