MINUTES OF LEPC MEETING

March 8th, 2016

LOCATION:

Montgomery County Public Safety Training Center
1175 Conshohocken Rd
Conshohocken, PA 19428

ATTENDANCE:

LEPC Members:
Steve Witmer, John Hertler, David Brown, Jim Fry, Greg Janiec, Mike Italia, Kathleen McVeigh, Michael Moonblatt, Michael Jones

LEPC/OEP Staff:
Beverlee Stemple, Steven Lopresti, John Waters, II

Visitors:
Kevin Bone – American Red Cross
Mike Cartwright – Lockheed Martin
Kristina Roberts – Micro-Coax
Matt Barnes - JBS
Megan Hinkle – Montgomery County Health Department
Jules DiRocco – Delaware County LEPC
Eric Warner – Delaware County LEPC
Jim Napoleon – BCWSA
Marty Joyce – MCFA
Armand Alessi – Lankenau Hospital
CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Witmer called the meeting to order at 1304hrs.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members and visitors were introduced.

A motion was made by Michael Moonblatt, and seconded by David Brown to accept the meeting minutes for January 12th, 2016 meeting as submitted/amended. The question was called for, asked, and approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Chairman Witmer announced the retirement of Hazardous Materials Response Team Chief Steven LoPresti and that this will be the last LEPC meeting Steve will attend.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The following committees had nothing to report:


Logistics

Steve Lopresti stated that the Hazardous Materials Response Team has ordered six new portable radios. They were purchased with taskforce funding.

Public Health and EMS

Megan Hinkle reported that the Health Department recently finished its readiness assessment.

David Brown reported that EMS is looking to purchase ballistic vests for EMS units.

Hazardous Materials

Beverlee Stemple reported that 233 plans need to be reviewed out of the 266 total number of planning sites. 8 Offsite Emergency Response Plans have already been reviewed. 15 new plans need to be developed. There are currently 3.5 million pounds of EHS’s throughout the county.

John Waters was out last week and still catching up with SARA submissions/payments. An in depth report will be provided at the next meeting.
Steve LoPresti stated that his last day is March 11th, 2016. The position of Hazardous Materials Program Coordinator position has been posted. In the interim, John Waters will handle the administrative work and operational command of the team will be split between the two Assistant Chiefs. Steve met with Jason Wilson and provided his opinion on the future plans for the Hazardous Materials Response Team.

New Business

Steve Lopresti arranged for Rich Turzanski to provide a presentation immediately following the LEPC meeting. Rich is a Chemical Security Inspector with the Department of Homeland Security. Rich presented an overview of DHS’s Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program.

Next Meeting Dates

The next public meeting is to be held at the Public Safety Training Center on May 10th, 2016 at 1300hrs.

Adjournment

A motion was made by David Brown, and seconded by Mike Moonblatt to adjourn the Montgomery County LEPC meeting for March 8th, 2016. The meeting adjourned at 1315hrs.