



INDIANA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION (IERC) Meeting

Indiana Government Center South

402 W. Washington Street

Conference room 1 and 2

Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

May 13, 2019, 1:30pm [Start Time: 1:30pm]

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Greeson—State Fire Marshal, Chair

Bernie Beier—Local Government Representative

Clint Bundy Proxy for Matt Bilkey—Designee for Superintendent of ISP

Larry Hamby—Designee for IDHS Executive Director

Jeff Larmore—Local Government Representative

Bruce Palin—Public Representative

James Pridgen—Business/Industry Representative

Laura Steadham—Designee for IDEM Commissioner

COMMISSION MEMBERS ON THE PHONE:

None

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:

Shawn French—Business/Industry Representative

Cara Cyrus—Business and Industry Representative

The following IERC staff members were present:

Sarah Chaney—IDHS

Kraig Kinney—IDHS

Madison Roe—IDHS

Dawn Mason—IDHS

The following audience members were present:

Martin R. Webb—Emergency Management Alliance of Indiana (EMAI)

Stan Capobianco—IDHS

Michael White—IDHS

David Hosick—IDHS

JW (WES) Temple—Clark County LEPC

Scott Bunning—Aristatek, Inc

Joe Whitaker—Emergency Management Alliance of Indiana (EMAI)/ Fountain
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

The Chairperson welcomed everyone meeting and requested the determination of a quorum.

QUORUM

Chairperson Greeson indicated a quorum was present after the commission roll call.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Mr. Pridgen made a motion to approve the IERC Retreat and March 11, 2019, meeting minutes. Mr. Hamby seconded the motion for the March 11th minutes and Mr. Larmore seconded the motion for the Retreat minutes. No further discussion occurred. All present were in favor

Motion Carried.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chairperson Greeson stated the 2019 IERC Retreat was productive. He reported attendees discussed the cost (equipment and vehicles) associated with creating and maintaining Type I hazmat teams for IDHS. Mr. Ewusi was asked to get specific costs on vehicles and specialized equipment that could impact the IDHS Hazmat Specialists. He expressed the Commission's gratitude to IDHS Grant staff members Ms. Snyder and Ms. Cowles for attending and presenting on the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) grants program.

Chairperson Greeson noted that over \$600,000 in Tier II reporting fees collected and 90% of the funds will go out to the compliant LEPCs. He stated staff will be and has attended several conferences and trainings this year to better assist LEPCs and EMAs. Lastly, Chairperson Greeson stated that the IERC should aim to interact more with LEPCs since involvement is vital.

ROSTER APPROVAL

Ms. Chaney reported 40 LEPCs submitted rosters for membership appointments or removals as of May 13, 2019.

Adams	Blackford	Boone	Carroll
Clay	Crawford	Daviess	Decatur

Delaware	Franklin	Gibson	Grant
Hendricks	Henry	Howard	Huntington
Jay	La Porte	Madison	Marshall
Miami	Monroe	Morgan	Ohio
Parke	Pike	Posey	Pulaski
Ripley	Spencer	St. Joseph	Starke
Switzerland	Tippecanoe	Union	Vanderburgh
Montgomery	Noble	Ohio	Owen
Warren	Warrick	Whitley	

Mr. Palin made a motion to approve the submitted rosters and was seconded by Mr. Hamby. No further discussion occurred. All present were in favor except Mr. Beier and Mr. Larmore who abstained.

Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Training Committee-Bernie Beier, Chair

Chairperson Greeson introduced Mr. Beier who stated the Training Committee did not meet due to lack of quorum.

No further discussion occurred.

Communications Committee-Jeff Larmore, Chair

Chairperson Greeson introduced Mr. Larmore who noted tentative dates of submission of the newsletter in August or September of 2019. He explained the publication would be bi-annual and contain relevant information for LEPCs. Mr. Larmore and Mr. Hosick, IDHS PIO discussed the flyer/brochure briefly and Mr. Larmore asked about Public Service Announcements (PSAs). Mr. Hosick stated since PSAs need to be general for widespread use PIO staff had to work on it. Staff had previously discussed PSAs with PIO staff and had tentatively decided the content of PSAs to best be left to each LEPC specifically.

Mr. Larmore next discussed the EMAI/IERC conference and hosting an IERC meeting during the conference. He mentioned the EPA Risk Management Program (RMP) communications and IERC staff stated the RMP rule summary would be addressed in the upcoming newsletter. Mr. Larmore noted that the RMP rule would require facilities to reach out to LEPCs within a certain amount of time about exercises and emergency plans.

No further discussion occurred.

Policy-Technical Committee-Jim Pridgen, Chair

The Chairperson introduced Mr. Pridgen who stated the Policy/Technical Committee didn't meet officially due to lack of quorum. They did talk about the retreat temporarily.

No further discussion occurred.

Fiscal Committee-Laura Steadham, Chair

Chairperson Greeson introduced Ms. Steadham who stated the Fiscal Committee didn't meet.

No further discussion occurred.

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Beier made a motion to approve the Committee Reports and was seconded by Mr. Palin. No further discussion occurred. All present were in favor.

Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Recommended LEPCs to Receive 2019 Funding

Chairperson Greeson moved to review the counties recommended by staff for funding. The following 83 LEPCs are recommended to receive funding from DOR prior to July 1, 2019, for meeting 2018 statutory requirements in accordance with IC 13-25-2-10.6. The funding amounts will be electronically transferred into each respective LEPC account by Indiana Department of Revenue:

Adams	Daviess	Franklin	Henry	Kosciusko
Allen	Dearborn	Fulton	Howard	LaGrange
Bartholomew	Decatur	Gibson	Huntington	Lake
Blackford	DeKalb	Grant	Jackson	LaPorte
Boone	Delaware	Greene	Jasper	Lawrence
Brown	Dubois	Hamilton	Jefferson	Madison
Clark	Elkhart	Hancock	Jennings	Marion
Clay	Floyd	Harrison	Johnson	Miami
Clinton	Fountain	Hendricks	Knox	Monroe

Montgomery	Pike	St. Joseph	Tippecanoe	Warrick
Morgan	Porter	Scott	Tipton	Washington
Newton	Posey	Shelby	Union	Wayne
Noble	Pulaski	Spencer	Vanderburgh	Wells
Ohio	Putnam	Starke	Vermillion	White
Owen	Randolph	Steuben	Vigo	Whitley
Parke	Ripley	Sullivan	Wabash	
Perry	Rush	Switzerland	Warren	

In accordance with IC 13-25-2-10.7, staff recommended withholding 2019 funding for the following 9 LEPCs because they did not meet the 7 compliance requirements in 2018 (see below for the reasons):

County	Reason(s)—Missing Compliance Documents
Benton	Recently reestablished in 2019
Carroll	Recently reestablished in 2019
Cass	Plan, Bylaws, and No Quorum for Feb 2, 2018, Meeting
Crawford	Recently reestablished in 2019
Fayette	Inactive (no compliance documents submitted)
Jay	Exercise Proposal, Exercise Final Report
Martin	Inactive (no compliance documents submitted)
Marshall	Inactive (no compliance documents submitted)
Orange	Inactive (no compliance documents submitted)

Staff will send formal notices to these 9 LEPCs explaining the Commission's decision to withhold 2019 funding.

Mr. Pridgen made a motion to approve funding for the 83 LEPCs recommended by staff and was seconded by Mr. Hamby. No further discussion occurred. All present were in favor.

AristaTek Inc. Presentation by Mr. Bunning

Chairperson Greeson opened the floor to Mr. Bunning. Mr. Bunning introduced himself as the head of marketing and sales for ArtisaTek Inc. He indicated he will be filling for Mr. Popkey, who previously attended an IERC meeting due to Mr. Popkey's untimely death. Mr. Bunning started his verbal presentation by introducing their product Peak which is a hazardous material software. He stated they are currently working with other states, and the software takes Tier II data for plume modeling and mapping. Chairperson Greeson welcomed him back to demonstrate his software if desired.

Pipeline Presentation by Mr. Capobianco

Mr. Capobianco stated that during the first week of April, a pipeline incident occurred dumping about 1300 barrels of natural gas. Marathon brought in a full management team prepared to bring in resources and money to handle the problem. They worked with IDEM, EPA, and local agencies to listen to concerns and solve the issues. He detailed the operations by explaining the equipment used, recovered quantities of product, and vulnerability zones around the site of the incident.

The presentation developed into a conversation among the IERC about LEPC exercises including Site Safety plans and Incident Action Plans (IAPs). Mr. Hamby stated that the Homeland Security Exercise Evaluation Program (HSEEP) compliance process has overshadowed the basics of a hazmat exercise, but Marathon brings in their own Site Safety plans and IAP to the incident. Mr. Larmore asked who handled the assessment agreements. Mr. Capobianco replied that Marathon handled the assessment agreements and refunds to land owners for damages from site assessment. Mr. Capobianco and Mr. White agreed with Mr. Hamby that they are worried LEPCs are not doing IAPs and Site Safety along with evaluating facility and site assessments. Lastly, concern was noted about LEPCs not using the chemicals correctly during an exercise due to other agendas. The LEPC representatives in the audience asked the IERC for more guidance in regards to the exercises.

The full discussion can be accessed by Public Records Request.

EMAI/ IERC Conference

Chairperson Greeson opened the floor to discuss the conference and IERC financial support. EMAI representatives, Mr. Webb and Mr. Whitaker reported the conferences overall cost last year was \$61,000 and that they did not have an exact breakdown of exactly what the \$10,000 provided annually by the IERC went towards. They agreed to provide better account records in the future. Mr. Webb asked the commission to provide key note speaker recommendations for the conference to ensure adequate Hazmat content.

SARA TITLE III PROGRAM REPORT—SARA Program Staff (See attached written report)

Ms. Chaney, Ms. Mason and Ms. Roe presented the SARA Title III Program Report to the commission.

APPROVAL OF SARA PROGRAM ACTIVITY REPORT

Mr. Palin made a motion to approve the SARA Program Activity Report and was seconded by Mr. Hamby. No further discussion occurred. All present were in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairperson Greeson opened the floor for public comments. No comments were made.

No further discussion occurred.


ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Palin made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mr. Hamby. No further discussion occurred, and the meeting adjourned at 3:30pm. All present were in favor

Motion Carried.

NEXT MEETING

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James Greeson, Chair

