



Meeting Minutes February 9, 2012

ATTENDEES:

Members – Present:

Heather Ambrose, Storm Water Planning Division
Bob Balog, USCG
Diane Blais, League of Women Voters
Linda Buczek, Risk Management
David Chesler, Red Cross
Steve Church, Health Department
Jim Covell, UOSA
2Lt. Gary Evans, Office of the Sheriff
Marie Flanigan, EQAC
Paul Jolley, Colonial Pipeline
Sgt. Terry Licklider, Virginia State Police
Bruce McFarlane, Fairfax County OEM
Bowman Olds, Vice Chair, SAIC
Doug O’Neill, Chair, FCPS
Erik Peterson, INOVA Fairfax Hospital
Ian Sterne, Red Cross
Mario Sumter, Fort Belvoir
1Lt. Mike Wall, Fairfax County Police

Guests Present:

J.B. Cuartas, NGA
DeShon Lowery, NGA

Staff Support:

Paula Woodrum, Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department
Trice Burgess, Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department
Laura Cosner, Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department

FJLEPC MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Doug O’Neill called the February 9, 2012 meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 10:02 a.m. He welcomed everyone present and then asked everyone present to introduce themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman O’Neill asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of December 8, 2011.

Motion. A motion was made to approve the December 8, 2011 minutes by Ian Sterne, 2nd by Jim Covell.
Motion carried.

Public Communications: The FJLEPC Website was recently updated with meeting minutes for the October meeting.

Business Outreach:

Bruce MacFarlane reminded the committee about OEM's website, ReadyNOVA.org which is a tool to help develop emergency plans for residents and business. There have been 760 hits so far and activity on the site continues. They are still working on the LeapFrog application to determine how many actual plans were prepared. Fairfax County's PDRP did get approved by the Board of Supervisors on January 21st. If you want access to the PDRP, you can go to the OEM website. There will be a PDRP tabletop exercise tomorrow (2/10/12) from 0900-1500

Ways and Means: Letters went out to various chambers of commerce. No responses were received.

HMERP Exercise Subcommittee: No report.

HAZMAT TEAM UPDATE:

RECENT INCIDENTS

Chief Buckley wasn't present. Trice Burgess mentioned that we recently lost one of our HMRT members, Technician Mark Baban, who was stationed at Fire Station 1. He asked that everyone keep the family in their thoughts.

HMRT TRAINING

No report.

FJLEPC COORDINATOR UPDATE:

Tier II Manager Update & HMERP

The 2011 reporting cycle is now underway, and Tier II reports are being submitted daily, both online and in hardcopy. Staff is still in the process of revising some of the Emergency Response Plans for the 2010 cycle for inclusion in the HMERP. The HMERP will be distributed sometime in March for approval at the April FJLEPC meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chairman O'Neill wanted to revisit the discussion regarding continued participation on Citizen Corps Council. Jim Covell & Bob Balog have been representatives for the past several years to the CCC. The CCC meets either bi-monthly or quarterly. Bowman went to their last meeting. The CCC was established in 2003 in response to 9/11. There has been very little benefit thus far for the FJLEPC to be involved, there's little direct or organizational interaction between the FJLEPC and the CCC. Bob Balog & Jim Covell gave brief overview of what's been going on the past 8 years. Bo Olds attended a meeting a couple weeks ago, and gave his impressions of the meeting he attended. Bo offered to continue as the FJLEPC representative to the CCC.

Motion: Doug O'Neill moved that the Vice Chair position of the LEPC serve as the "official" representative to the CCC. Moved by Bob Balog, 2nd Jim Covell. **Motion passed.**

Paula gave overview of how most CCCs/LEPCs were "grouped" together in many regions throughout the country, and a lot of LEPCs receive grant funding through the CCC initiatives because LEPCs are unfunded mandates. There was grant funding available through CCCs to the LEPCs, but because of the timing the FJLEPC did not apply. Bruce MacFarlane explained UASI grant process. The Virginia Department of Emergency Management also has grant money for LEPCs available each year.

NEW BUSINESS:

David Chesler from the Red Cross is now the coordinator for Northern Virginia, so he and Ian may co-represent the Red Cross.

J.B. Cuartas and DeShon Lowery, representatives from National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, attended the FJLEPC meeting. The NGA is now located as part of the Fort Belvoir campus. The NGA would like to be more involved in the FJLEPC.

The Office of Emergency Management is reorganizing the process of how they are going to be developing emergency plans. One of the elements is a business recovery center. From a business perspective, it would be nice to have folks participate as businesses.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

Motion A motion was made to adjourn by Erik Peterson, 2nd by Bob Balog.

Motion carried and the FJLEPC adjourned at 11:01 am.

The next meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee will be held on Thursday, April 12, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. This meeting will be held in Conference Room A at the Fairfax County Fire Prevention Division Headquarters, 10700 Page Avenue, Fairfax, Virginia.