



**Meeting Minutes
October 15, 2015**

ATTENDEES:

Bob Balog, Citizen-At-Large
Marc Barbieri, Fairfax County Health Department
Lieutenant Dalton Becker, Fairfax County Police
Johna Gagnon, EQAC
Jesse Habourn, Fairfax County Health Department
Sharone Lathrop, League of Women Voters of Fairfax
Lieutenant Dean Lay, Fairfax County Police Department
Sergeant Terry Licklider, Virginia State Police
Lieutenant Mike Messier, Office of the Sheriff
Richard Michelback, Fairfax County Public Schools
Bowman Olds, Citizen-At-Large, PWLEPC
Jennifer Paris, Fairfax County DPW&ES
Vice Chair Erik Peterson, INOVA Fairfax Hospital
Battalion Chief Marty Ranck, Fairfax County Fire & Rescue
Cathy Roth, Fairfax County DPW&ES Storm Water Management
Bart Routh, SICPA SecurInk
Chair Ken Rudnicki, Fairfax City Office of Emergency Management
Khis Suravallop, Fairfax County DPW&ES Noman P. Cole Plant
Lieutenant Jay Thomasson, Office of the Sheriff

Guests:

Wayne Williams, Lockheed Martin

Staff Support:

Investigator W. Trice Burgess, Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office
EMS III Paula Woodrum, Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office

FJLEPC MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Ken Rudnicki called the October 15, 2015 meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 10:05 a.m. He asked that everyone introduce themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chair Ken Rudnicki asked for motion to approve the August 13, 2015 minutes. **Motion** to approve August 13, 2015 minutes by Johna Gagnon, second by Battalion Chief Marty Ranck. **Motion carried.**

REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Communications:

Paula advised that the webmaster updated the website with past minutes and the meeting schedule for the December meeting.

Paula is looking at a website refresh schedule which has slipped to the winter due to workload, so if you have ideas, please let her know. MS4 will be incorporated in some fashion to support their public

education campaign efforts. She also asked members for any ideas or articles they might have for a newsletter. She would like to get the Newsletter going again in 2016.

The Shelter in Place Video Subcommittee was unable to meet in the past two months due to Paula's workload with the County's budget process and the Colonial Pipeline incident. She hopes to touch base with Johna and Erik before the end of the year and start the groundwork for the video update in early/Spring 2016.

Business Outreach

There was no Business Outreach report.

Ways and Means:

Dovetailing efforts on hold until new Business Outreach person is hired.

HMERP Exercise Subcommittee:

The HMERP Drill is scheduled for November 19th at 10:00 a.m. at Ravensworth Facility for Washington Gas. The scenario will involve a leak originating around the propane cavern involving piping extending from the cavern, liquid leak and subsequent propane cloud. This will be a full up exercise involving leak control, chemical research, decontamination, etc. The facility is located at 5701 Rolling Road, Springfield. Parking is challenging, so more info will be distributed the closer we get to the date.

CCC Liaison Updates:

Erik attended the last meeting. Provided update regarding County's 9-1-1 live text messaging effort that was effective September 22nd. Erik passed around handouts regarding this effort. Next meeting will be held on November 19th.

Liaison with other LEPCs:

Erik attended the Alexandria LEPC meeting on September 9th. Norfolk Southern discussed a minor oil spill of approximately 100 gallons involving a hose failure and how they now use pressure rated hoses instead of rubber hoses. They held a brief discussion on national preparedness and VDEM site. Their next meeting will be held on December 9th.

HAZMAT RESPONSE TEAM (HMRT) UPDATE:

RECENT INCIDENTS

BFC Ranck provided an update regarding the Colonial Pipeline Incident:

On 9/21, the Hazardous Materials Response Team (HMRT) responded to gas odor in Centreville with Engine 417. This incident was originally dispatched as natural gas odor in area of Rt. 28 and Braddock Road near the Centreville Multiplex. Crews quickly determined that it was gasoline and began checking manholes in the area and found areas with 100% LEL (lower explosive limit). Colonial Pipeline was called to come out and check lines with crews, and FHMIS from the Fire Marshal's Office was called to help. Fairfax Storm Water was called to help check storm water outfalls. There was a clogged storm water culvert, and the culvert quickly filled with black petroleum type product once the clog was cleared. The incident continued through to the next morning, and Colonial activated their full Emergency Response Team. Colonial found 4" crack in the pipeline. Colonial was able to make emergency repair to the pipeline. Several businesses were closed for about a week.

The NTSB oversees transportation accidents and they are investigating this incident. They have requested that a significant section of pipeline be cut out and submitted for testing. Colonial is still working in this area. They have been removing contaminated soil. Several monitoring wells have been

installed. Estimated 3,000 gallons lost. Pipe replacement has been scheduled for November 11th if all goes according to plan.

Chief Ranck and staff answered questions from the committee members regarding the incident. Efforts between the FRD and Colonial were well coordinated and Colonial's efforts were extremely responsive and were to be commended. Chief Ranck explained that benefits of training with Colonial routinely were realized during this incident because the relationships established during the trainings were extremely important in managing and mitigating the immediate threats.

HMRT TRAINING

Chief Ranck also provided a synopsis of training that was attended by the HMRT.

FJLEPC COORDINATOR UPDATE:

Paula provided a brief update regarding some MS4 activities (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) and community outreach efforts.

Tier II Manager Update & HMERP

Paula, Chief Ranck and the Tier II Manager vendor have been working together to resolve some issues with navigation of the website using the HMRT's new iPads.

Paula is still working on updating the HMERP. Her efforts have been stalled due to the County's budget cycle, lines of business, and the Colonial Pipeline cost recovery efforts. She hopes to have the plan completed by the February meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bo Olds talked about the Fairfax County CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) class he's in right now. He encouraged everyone who has not participated in a CERT volunteering effort to do so in their community.

Bob Balog asked if Fairfax Alerts could embed something when an alert goes out where a link could be put into the message that shows where the incident is (a map link). Paula will check with Dave McKernan to see if the system is capable of this.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

The next meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee will be held on Thursday, December 10, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. This meeting will be held in the A Conference Room at the Fire Marshal Headquarters, 10700 Page Avenue, Fairfax, VA.