

## **Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee December 9, 2010**

### ATTENDEES:

#### **Members – Present:**

David Miska, Chairman, Lockheed Martin  
Douglas O'Neill, Vice Chairman, Fairfax County Public Schools  
Battalion Chief Anthony Barrero, Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department  
Dianne Blais, League of Women Voters  
Battalion Chief Craig Buckley, Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department  
Linda Buczek, Fairfax County Risk Management Division  
Steve Church, Fairfax County Health Department  
Jim Covell, Upper Occoquan Sewage Authority  
Paul Jolley, Colonial Pipeline  
Bowman M. Olds, SAIC  
Erik Peterson, INOVA Fairfax Hospital  
Mario Sumter, Fort Belvoir  
Lieutenant Mike Wall, Fairfax County Police Department  
David Wassum, SICPA Securink  
Richard Weisman, Environmental Quality Advisory Council

#### **Members – Not Present:**

Robert Balog, U.S. Coast Guard  
Marc Barbieri, Fairfax County Health Department  
Keith Cunningham, George Mason University  
Thomas Fryer, Washington Gas Company  
Sergeant Jeff Hunt, City of Fairfax Police Department  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Brian Johnston, Office of the Sheriff  
Chief Ron Mastin, Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department  
Bruce McFarlane, Fairfax County Office of Emergency Management  
Becky McKinney, Fairfax County Office of Emergency Management  
David McKernan, Fairfax County Office of Emergency Management  
Patrick Nnaji, Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services  
Virginia Orr, U.S. Government  
Captain Larry Presgrave, Herndon Police Department  
Ken Rudnicki, City of Fairfax Office of Emergency Management  
Dallas Shawkey, Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations  
Ian Sterne, American Red Cross  
Peter Todd, Virginia Department of Transportation

#### **Staff Support:**

Trice Burgess, Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department  
Barry Hall, Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department  
Paula Woodrum, Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department

#### **FJLEPC MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Chair Dave Miska called the December 9, 2010 meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 10:09 a.m. and welcomed everyone present. He then asked everyone present to introduce themselves.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Chair Dave Miska asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of October 14, 2010. Minor correction regarding the date in the header pages.

**Motion.** A motion to approve the minutes was made by Jim Covell, 2<sup>nd</sup> Erik Peterson as amended. The motion was seconded and approved. **Motion carried.**

**Public Communications:** No report.

**Business Outreach:** No report.

**Ways and Means:** Erik Peterson had sent email to Dave, but failed to follow-up. He will follow-up regarding revising the letter to reach out to the business community.

**HMERP Subcommittee:** Doug O'Neill wants to send Quest Diagnostics a letter of thanks to Bryan Mason and his staff for hosting our HMERP Exercise in October. Paula will draft letter for Doug's signature.

**HAZMAT TEAM UPDATE:**

Battalion Chief Craig Buckley reported the following recent hazmat incidents:

- Responded to indoor air quality issues at a County School from hydrogen sulfide and CO issues. Hydrogen sulfide was released from Hilltop Landfill (Hilltop Sand & Gravel) and they had installed a new methane and sulfide system vapor system. System was supposed to have flares on it to burn off the gas, but the flares were not on. Their system was shut down by the FMO until repairs were made to that system. Vapors from the site entered into HVAC system of the school. Maintenance shut down air handling units, the odors were obvious. Involved extensive ventilation efforts. Children were evacuated from the building for a period of time. HVAC was shut down until after school was over to completely be able to ventilate the school. The landfill is going to issue a notice to the surrounding public. School system filed formal complaint to DEQ regarding the landfill. FMO only has authority in cases of release, permitting is totally the authority of DEQ.
- WMD Investigation - NRO facility in Chantilly, report of anthrax detector alarms at mail facility.
- WMD Investigation - Private residence in Seven Corners area received FED EX envelope with suspicious powder, field screening tested positive for methamphetamine.
- Carbon Monoxide Event - Private residence in Centreville, power had been cut off to home and they were running generator in garage area. 1 fatality found in car in garage, 4 others in home were affected.
- Carbon Monoxide Event - Residential high-rise in Reston, malfunctioning heater system caused elevated levels on multiple floors, 9 patients transported to hospital.
- Truck Fire - Merrifield area, landscaping trailer involving various fuels
- Tanker Fire - I-495/Eisenhower Ave exit, reported gasoline tanker fire, ended up being brake fire only
- Propane Tank Leak - Annandale, 1,000 gallon above ground storage tank with leak around valve area
- Fuel Tank Spill - Tysons Corner, 4,000 gallon fixed site gasoline storage tank had leak from hose area while tank was being filled by tank truck, approximately 50 gallons were spilled

- Cryogenic Tank Leak - Fair Oaks Kaiser Permanente, small medical type container leaking nitrogen at valve assembly area, tank removed from office, controlled release of remaining product maybe 15-20 gallons release. Turned over to Roberts Oxygen.

#### *HMRT Training*

Ammonia Training Safety Training Institute has been conducting training in the Area. There were classes in Montgomery & Arlington County Academies. Ten HMRT members attended this training. Funding is going well for training, there is UASI money for training that we have been able to take advantage from and been able to backfill the OT required for the members to attend the training.

#### **FJLEPC COORDINATOR UPDATE:**

##### Membership

FJLEPC Membership – Keith Cunningham no longer works for George Mason University. Dave Farris will serve as the designated member until their Environmental Compliance Officer can transition into the LEPC.

Paula and Laura will work in January on contacting various member agencies who have not sent a representative to the meetings in quite some time to reaffirm their desire to be members.

##### Tier II Manager Update

Tier II Manager won a County GIS Excellence Award for Best use of GIS on the Web among County agencies who submitted a project for consideration. There was only one award presented in this category.

##### HMERP Update

Work on the final version of the 2010 HMERP continues. OEM submitted changes to the baseline HMERP (Sections 1-5) on December 3, 2010, which changed all the tables of content contained in the document. Final HMERP will be presented to the FJLEPC for adoption in February.

##### HMMP and SPCC Plans

During the update of each facility's Emergency Response Plan, it was noted that many of the Haz Mat Management Plans (HMMPs) and Spill, Prevention, Control & Countermeasures Plan that the FMO has are very old. HMMP requirements will be changing next year with the new Code cycle for the Fire Prevention Code, so FMO staff will be working with facilities to ensure that new HMMPs and SPCCs are submitted as required.

##### LEPC Outreach

Paula discussed the possibility of hosting a regional LEPC summit some time next year. This would provide an opportunity to reach out to other LEPCs in the National Capital Region to discuss best practices and challenges their committees face.

Bowman Olds, who also sits on the PWLEPC, thought that there would be interest to participate in an information sharing. Jim Covell recommended limiting the outreach to the Virginia LEPCs.

Before suggesting this, the FJLEPC would need to further define what the meeting would look like & develop a focused agenda.

Request from VDOT

Pete Todd requests that the FJLEPC consider sponsoring an actual evacuation exercise at the Newington Tank Farm some time this coming spring/summer due to the significant changes to the roadways in the area over the past several years.

Paula will talk to Becky McKinney about a regional effort in this area.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

PG&E Pipeline Incident in California

Trice Burgess sent out an email on NTSB's initial investigation into this incident. NTSB has not made a final determination. From initial report, there was a power failure that caused pressures to go up which caused a major rupture. It can take up to a year for the NTSB final report.

Membership

BFC Rick Roatch is being replaced by BFC Craig Buckley as Chief Mastin's representative to the FJLEPC. BFC Roatch's position was cut in a recent round of budget reductions taken by the Board of Supervisors.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chair of the FJLEPC

This is Dave Miska's last meeting as Chair of the FJLEPC. He was presented with a plaque in appreciation for all his efforts as chair. Doug O'Neill will now move from the Vice Chair position to the Chair position for the next 2 years.

Vice Chair Nomination

Bowman Olds was nominated as Vice Chair of the FJLEPC. Motion made by Doug O'Neill, Seconded by Paul Jolley and the motion carried. Bowman Olds will serve as the Vice Chair for a period of two years.

Dave Miska handed out literature on the National Hazardous Materials Fusion Center. BFC Buckley is very excited about this repository for incidents of hazardous materials response and being able to share the information. Fairfax County is participating in this project.

Dave also handed out information regarding fines that were levied in Tacoma, Washington on a company for failing to report hazmat inventories.

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:**

**Motion** A motion was made to adjourn by Jim Covell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Erik Peterson.  
**Motion carried** and the FJLEPC adjourned at 11:10 am.

*The next meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee will be held on Thursday, February 10, 2011, 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.*