



Meeting Minutes June 11, 2020

VIA TELECONFERENCE:

Colin Brody, Fairfax Co. Health
Rod Ervin, NGA
Don Gotthardt, Fairfax Co. Police
Lynn Green, Fairfax Co. SWM
John Higginbotham, VDEM
Blake Hite, NOVA Mental Health
Paul Jolley, Vice Chairman
Terry Lickliger, Virginia State Police
Donna McGraw, NOVA Mental Health
Richard Michelback, FCPS
Ashley Morris, Fairfax Co. OEM
Nate Murray, Colonial Pipeline
Erik Peterson, Inova Fairfax Hospital
Bart Routh, SICPA
Amara Smith, Colonial Pipeline
Jayson Taylor, Colonial Pipeline

ATTENDEES (PSHQ):

Chairman Martin Ranck
BC David Sellers, Fairfax Co. FRD

STAFF SUPPORT:

Trice Burgess, Fairfax Co. OFM
Karen Lowery, Fairfax Co. OFM

FJLEPC MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairman Ranck called the June 11, 2020, meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee to order at 10:02 a.m. He opened the meeting by asking everyone to introduce themselves. **Chairman Ranck reported that the April 9, 2020, meeting of the FJLEPC was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman Ranck asked everyone to review the February 13, 2020, meeting minutes. Erik Peterson noted two edits. On Page 2, third line, under "Recent Incidents" change the word "insolation" to "isolation." Under "Tier II Manager Update & HMERP" capitalize the word "reminders" in the second sentence. Trice Burgess noted that "Staff Support" attendees needed to be added on Page 1. Chairman Ranck called for a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Erik Peterson motioned to approve minutes as amended and David Sellers seconded. Motion carried.

REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Communications: No report.

Business Outreach: Ashley Morris reported that OEM continues to listen to business community on how they are dealing with COVID-19 pandemic.

HMERP Exercise Subcommittee:

Battalion Chief David Sellers reported that no date has been set in October for the exercise; he will update the FJLEPC as soon as a date is confirmed. The progression with the transition to eco-friendly foam is going well. Fairfax County FRD now has new foam equipment.

CCC Liaison:

Ashley Morris reported on the following:

- Outreach Focus: focus on Medical Reserve Corps and public health due to COVID19 response.
- CERT:
 - Transition from physical to virtual meetings and trainings
 - Monthly meetings are being held and volunteers are able to acquire many volunteer hours despite not being able to gather
 - CERT has also assisted with the COVID response through food distribution and running errands for the vulnerable and elderly populations
- MRC: new volunteer growth and explosion due to pandemic
 - Have assisted with creating testing site bags and kits for response
 - Have contributed to the Neighbor to Neighbor campaign - running errands for vulnerable populations
- VIPS: working on transition from physical to virtual - planning on virtual LE classes for youth interested in LE

Other updates:

Volunteer Fairfax: continues to support response and logistics through donations and warehouse management.

Ways and Means: No report.

Liaison with other LEPCs:

Chairman Ranck and Vice Chairman Jolley reported that they were not aware of any meetings that have been held due to COVID-19.

Subcommittees:

HAZMAT RESPONSE TEAM (HMRT) UPDATE

RECENT INCIDENTS

Battalion Chief David Sellers reported on two significant incidents:

- Leaking propane tank from a pool heater at a McLean residence pool.
- USPS in Springfield – biologic detection system alerted four separate times for Anthrax; area and persons affected were isolated. Decontamination and exposure protocols were followed with regard to those persons with potential exposure. FBI took samples of substance for analyzing; results confirmed substance contained bacteria very similar to Anthrax but was not Anthrax. Incident response was very positive.

HMRT TRAINING

BC Sellers reported there will be foam acceptance in July for team. The major foam drill is being planned for October.

FJLEPC COORDINATOR UPDATE

Tier II Manager Update & HMERP

Trice Burgess reported:

581 – total active/inactive facilities

431 – active

154 – critical hazard facilities

For 2019, 430 facilities have reported. One facility has been referred to EPA for assistance in compliance.

The FJLEPC webpage is up to date. The drone program is up and running.

EQAC

No report.

Old Business:

Chairman Ranck reported that in February he had asked for ideas on future presentations that might be of interest to the FLEPC. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this will be put on hold until county facilities are open again to the public/and video conferencing capabilities are available to conduct a presentation.

New Business:

Roundtable/Member Updates

Chairman Ranck reported that the FJLEP will be updated at a later date on August meeting information.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

Chairman Ranck asked for a motion to adjourn; motion made by Erik Peterson with second by Vice Chairman Jolley. Meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

***The next meeting of the Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee
will be held on Thursday, August 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.
Fairfax County Public Safety Headquarters
12099 Government Center Parkway, Room 3121
Fairfax, Virginia 22035***