

MINUTES

Nye County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

Nye County Emergency Management Building

1510 Siri Lane, Pahrump, NV 89060

Wednesday, January 16th, 2019, 9:30am

Meeting Available via Teleconference

(775) 751-4330 Pin: 1

Members present in Pahrump

Amargosa Fire Dept. (Bruce Jensen, Rich Flanagan)
Amargosa Town Board (Pat Minshall)
ARES-Amargosa Valley (Jack Sypolt)
ARES/RACES (Gerald Fuge, Steve Bird)
Civil Air Patrol (Frank Bonesteel)
Great Basin Water Co (Lance Goodman)
National Nuclear Security Admin (Elan Thompson)
Nev. Dept. of Health & Human Services (Genie Walker)
Nevada National Security Site F&R (Doug Rierson, Dan Crays, Rob Osborne)
Nye Communities Coalition (Albert Bass)
Nye County Board of Commissioners (Leo Blundo)
Nye County Emergency Management (Scott Lewis)
Nye County Public Works, Utilities/Airports (Darrin Tuck)
Nye County School District (Cameron McRae)
Nye County Schools Trans. (Cameron McRae)
Nye County Search and Rescue (Albert Bass)
Nye County Sheriff's Office (Frank Bonesteel)
Pahrump Valley Fire & Rescue (Capt. Steve Moody)
So. Nye County Hazmat Team (Rich Flanagan, Ed Booss)

LEPC Officers/DEM Staff Present:

Scott Lewis – Chair
Patrick Lazenby – Secretary & Treasurer
Rodd Fernandes – DEM Logistics Officer
Rich Flanagan – Vice Chair

Members Present via Teleconference:

Beatty Fire Dept. (Mike Harmon)
Duckwater Fire Dept. (Marvin Mings)
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe (Marian Perez)
McGinnis MICA Medical (Diane McGinnis)
Mercy Air (Chris Stachyra)
Round Mountain Gold Mine (Greg Teixeira)
Round Mountain Hazmat (Greg Teixeira)

Members Absent:

At Large Member (James Oscarson)
Desert View Hospital
National Weather Service/Elko
National Weather Service/Las Vegas
Nevada Health Center/AV Clinic
Nevada State Assembly (Greg Hafen II)
Nye County District Attorney
Nye County Health Officer
Nye County Public Works, Road Dept.
Radio Education Network
Talk Radio of Pahrump
Town of Tonopah
US Ecology
Valley Electric Association

Guests Present:

Don Parker-NNSS
Steve Rosenbaum-DEM Volunteer/LLWS
Tiffany Gamero-DOE

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Non-Action Item)

2. **CALL TO ORDER (Non-Action Item) & Roll Call:** The meeting was called to order by the committee Chair, Scott Lewis at 9:30 am.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT (Non-Action Item)** – Pat Minshall, Amargosa Valley Town Board, said that she is working on a disaster evacuation plan for Amargosa Valley. She was surprised to find that Pahrump does not have specific areas for residents to go in the event that they are evacuated from their homes. Scott Lewis explained that Pahrump does have buildings/areas designated for this use, how many evacuees they could shelter and for what length of time would vary based on the availability of space, building type, location, etc., and limited in scope due to availability of secondary power generation.
4. **ROLL CALL AND HEAD COUNT:** A roll call and head count of members present and on teleconference was conducted to verify attendance and that a quorum is present.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Discussion/For Possible Action)** – The committee reviewed and approved the minutes of the November 15th, 2018, LEPC meeting. Motion to approve was made by Steve Bird and seconded by Leo Blundo, motion carried.
6. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (Non-Action Item):**
 1. State of Nevada 2018 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR): Nye County Submitted 11/30/18, State final report due out this month (Jan), Summary is available on the sign in table.
 2. Low Level Waste Stakeholders (LLWS) Forum: Today (1/16) in the DEM Training room at noon.
 3. Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board meeting: Today (1/16) at VEA at 4:00pm.
 4. EPWG Meeting, 12/10/18: (Via conference call). The EPWG approved grant project change requests for White Pine & Elko Counties, primarily funding reallocations. NDEM Chief Caleb Cage discussed NDEM's 2017—2020 Strategic Planning framework.
 5. **NNSS/NLVF Informational Briefing 12/13/18:** National Atomic Testing Museum. Briefing on NNSS/NLVF emergency planning, emergency response capabilities & cross-agency partnerships.
 6. Recent exercises: (Action item from 11/15/18 LEPC Meeting), At the 11/15/18 LEPC meeting, Pat Minshall asked why there was not a flu pod held in Amargosa. As a member from Health & Human Services was not present, Patrick said he would contact H&HS to find out. Patrick reported that H&HS notified him that they only get approved for a certain number of vaccines for a certain number of locations, normally only Pahrump and Tonopah, and residents from surrounding areas have to come to one of those. The only reason one was held in Beatty is that the Beatty Town Board contacted H&HS and requested a flu pod, and they were able to get approved for the additional location and enough vaccines to hold the additional flu pod in Beatty. Genie Walker from H&HS, who was present at this meeting, reported that they did have several residents from Amargosa participate in both the Beatty and Pahrump Flu pods.
7. **VOTING IN OF NEW OFFICER (Discussion/For Possible Action)** – Announcement only: The Honorable Gregory T. Hafen II, District 36 Assemblyman joined the LEPC as our elected state official representative. County Commissioner Leo Blundo was in attendance and introduced himself and was welcomed to the LEPC as a local elected official.

8. **SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES (Discussion/For Possible Action)** – Subcommittee members have opportunity to provide the LEPC with any updates.

- ❖ Executive Subcommittee: Chairman Lewis reviewed the current LEPC executive subcommittee membership and term limits.
- ❖ Planning & Training Subcommittee: Chairman Lewis discussed PVFRS's upcoming training opportunity with NNSS & 2019 flu pods.
- ❖ Grants & Finance Subcommittee – Patrick Reviewed the UWS & SERC Grants.
- ❖ Hazmat Plan Review Subcommittee – Action Item: Rich Flanagan reviewed HAZMAT plan, only updates were: Cover page, updated year & contacts; Letter of promulgation; updated chairperson & secretary/treasurer; updated signature line for Scott Lewis; Updated training calendar's for stations with 2019 schedules and Updated Nye county contact lists. Requested training schedule from Round Mountain HAZMAT. Greg Teixeira committed to submit updates prior to end of day 1/16/19. No vote was taken on accepting the 2019 HAZMAT plan until all training schedules are updated.
- ❖ Bylaws Review Subcommittee: No updates.
- ❖ Membership Review Subcommittee – Action item from 11/15/18 meeting: Need to nominate a new Chair & additional members. Chairman Lewis noted that due to James Oscarson no longer working at Desert View Hospital that they will need to submit a new LEPC member & alternate and he will not be eligible to serve as Member at Large. Membership Review Subcommittee to discuss At Large Member. Diane McGinnis mentioned that Desert View Hospital has alternate members listed, Chairman Lewis said that he has been told that there have been several resignations at DVH, the Subcommittee will verify that DVH representatives and alternates listed are actively employed by DVH. Frank Bonesteel asked who will be taking over as Chair of the Membership Subcommittee, Chairman Lewis said that he will assume the chairmanship unless Frank would like to. Frank Bonesteel was nominated by Chairman Lewis to assume the position of Membership Review Subcommittee Chairman, Steve Bird made a motion to accept Frank Bonesteel as Membership Review Subcommittee Chair, motion was seconded by Jerry Fuge, motion carried unanimously. Patrick volunteered to serve as a member of both the Membership Review Subcommittee and Bylaws Review Subcommittee. Steve Bird made a motion to accept Patrick into those subcommittees, Jerry Fuge seconded the motion, motion carried unanimously. Rich Flanagan nominated Steve Rosenbaum to serve as a member of the Hazmat Plan Review Subcommittee. Steve Bird made a motion to accept, the motion was seconded by Jerry Fuge, motion carried unanimously.

9. **ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO LEPC “WISH LIST” ITEMS (Discussion/For Possible Action)** – No updates or changes to the LEPC wish list.

10. **GRANT UPDATES (Non-Action Item)** – Entities who have received equipment under grant funding can give updates to the LEPC, bring pictures, etc.

-FY19 United We Stand Grant (SERC): \$25,000+\$2,150 county match, \$27,150 total: LCD 3.3 CWA Identifier (\$9,450) plus additional 4-year maintenance warranty (\$4,700) is on order; Axis Q6155-EPTZ surveillance camera's (2ea): awaiting updated quote for 4ea. Grant was budgeted for \$13,000 for 2 cameras, however 2 cameras are only \$6,722.

-FY19 SERC Grant: \$15,975: 20 ML35-12 12V 35AH U1 Deep Cycle Solar Batteries (\$1,300) for KPFV radio station have been ordered. A total of 11 Level A Tychem Hazmat suits in various sizes have been ordered. 1 Protégé 4 portable multi gas monitor (\$505.19 + \$50.00 shipping);

vendor M.E.S. is researching if this model is still in production and maintainable. Will send updated quote once research is completed.

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS (Non-Action Item)** – Chairman Lewis discussed Nye County’s purchase of 2 firefighter turnout gear/EMS bio contaminated items extractors, 1 installed in Pahrump DEM, 1 at the Tonopah Fire Station. Rodd Fernandes has put in a lot of hours and miles getting people trained to operate the equipment. As well as redistributing HAZMAT, EMS and firefighting apparatus throughout the county to eliminate some of the gaps in coverage. Rich Flanagan discussed the efforts being undertaken by the Town of Amargosa Valley to reestablish EMS service.
12. **SCHEDULING OF MEETING (Discussion/For Possible Action)** – Tentative Date, Time & Location of Next Meeting: **Wednesday, May 8th, 2019, 9:30 a.m.**, in the DEM Training Room
13. **PUBLIC COMMENT (2nd) (Non-Action Item)** – Pat Minshall commented on how impressed she was with the provided tent cards and meeting set up.
14. **ADJOURNMENT (Discussion/For Possible Action)** – Chairman Lewis asked for a motion to adjourn, Steve Bird made a motion to adjourn, Jerry Fuge seconded the motion, motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 10:03 am.