

State Emergency Response Commission Meeting
March 15, 2007
1:00 pm

Voting Members Present:

Jesse Adkins	WV DEP
Roy McCallister	WVDA
Dan McKinney	WV DNR
Deron Wilkes	WV DHHR-BPH
Mike Dorsey	WV DEP
Giles Watson	Citizen
Alan Abbott	WV PSC
Rudy Raynes	WV SFM

Others Present:

Herb Lattimore	WV DHSEM
Celeste Hinzman	WV DHSEM
Don Elswick	Bayer Crop Science
Michelle Price-Fay	US EPA
Laverne Stout	WV DHSEM

Call to Order

Rudy Raynes called the meeting to order at 1:15 pm, at the WV DEP Building, Kanawha City, WV, for those in attendance see conference roster. Mr. Raynes asked those assembled to review the minutes from January 18, 2007 for corrections, deletions or additions. *Mike Dorsey moved to approve the minutes as submitted, Deron Wilkes seconded. Motion passed.*

Introduction

Mr. Raynes introduced Ms. Michelle Price-Fay from US EPA Region III. Welcome

Old Business

Mr. Raynes presented Mr. Watson with a certificate signed by Governor Manchin for his long and dedicated service to the community and the State Emergency Response Commission. Mr. Watson has retired from Dow Chemical and has resigned his membership on the commission. Mr. Watson has however, stated he would like to be of assistance to the Commission if needed.

2007 HMEP Grant

Grants are proceeding, nothing additional to report

2008 HMEP Grant

Mr. McCallister made a motion to allow Mr. Gianato to apply for the 2008 HMEP Grant through US DOT as the SERC representative. Mike Goff seconded. Motion passed.

SERC/LEPC Grants

Grant is proceeding, nothing additional to report

LEPC Memberships

None pending

By-Laws

Nothing additional to report

Training Subcommittee

Mr. Lattimore stated upcoming class times and locations are located on the www.wvdhsem.gov web-site. Preston County's upcoming exercise has finally been reviewed and approved by Mr. Miller at Military Affairs & Public Safety. Mr. Lattimore also suggested if anyone has an exercise they'd like to conduct (WMD inspired) to please contact Mike Cutlip (558-2930) for assistance and approval. Mr. Lattimore also gave a breakdown of NIMS Compliance:

IS 100 & 700 Everyone needs to take
IS 200 Supervisors
IS 300 Middle Management
IS 400 Command Staff
IS 800 National Response Plan - take on-line

Mr. Lattimore said US DOJ understands not everyone will have all of the training required by 1 October 2007, however, if a community can show a good faith effort in trying to obtain their NIMS Compliance they will be flexible. It appears that they will be tying NIMS Compliance in with some disaster relief efforts for the upcoming year in other words Performance = \$, which means some grants may be affected.

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Treasurer's Report

Discussion of expense categories and amounts. Discussion of facilities who have not complied with requests to report. Some discussion on whether business can continue to operate in West Virginia if they are not up to date with state requirements, a business license may be suspended- Mike Dorsey will try to determine if the Commission can request these suspensions. Jesse Adkins suggested we also check Workers Compensation and unemployment, Deron Wilkes said their entities received letters from the Tax Department stating if that EMS unit is in good standing or not and is up to date on all filings and fees.

New Business

Michelle Price-Fay - US EPA has taken Carole Dougherty's place (Ms. Dougherty retired) wanted to give an update on Talon Manufacturing- They will be inspecting Talon on March 21st and it doubtful they will remain in business. She has also volunteered for the upcoming LEPC/SERC Conference.

The LEPC/SERC Conference suggestions for courses are: Risk Communications, Exercise- John Bierling, NIMS, some from of Industrial Standpoint, agriculture, propane -(SFM autopsy of the Raleigh County incident), SAA funding for EMPG, KPEPC policy on FOIA by Jan Taylor, How to handle requests - Christy Morris, and Emergency Action Plan for dams.

Mercer County- a blasting company pelted a dam 300 yards away; the dam is being evaluated by DEP/DNR.

US Coast Guard in Marietta OH will be simulating a Marine Security Level 3 for all river operations.

Mike Dorsey said the next RRT Region III meeting will be held May 22-24 at Rehobeth Beach. The Commission set the meeting dates for the next year:

May 30, 2007	1:00 pm	WV DEP Building- changed from May 17th
July 19, 2007	1:00 pm	WV DEP Building
Sep, 2007		To Be Determined - conference
November 15, 2007	1:00 pm	WV DEP Building

The next scheduled meeting will be May 30, 2007, at 1:00 pm at WV DEP in Kanawha City.

Motion to dismiss Deron Wilkes, seconded Mike Dorsey, and motion passed.

Meeting ended at 2:15 pm