

**Local Emergency Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2010**

Present:

Dean Marcum, Stanfield Fire
Joseph Basile, Calpine
Ben Weinke, City of Hermiston
Whitney Brunson, Smith Frozen Foods
Sean Basford, City of Hermiston
Scott Stanton, Hermiston Fire District
Mike Duffy, Pioneer
Tom French, Walmart DC
Doug Paine, Good Shepherd Medical Center
Jodi Florence, Umatilla County Emergency Management

Approval / Corrections of Minutes

No corrections

Minutes from June 8th meeting approved

Sub-Committee Updates

Planning – Letter to Pendleton Flour Mills and Americold were sent June 15th. There has been no response. A reminder letter or phone call will be made to find out who the contact person is for emergency planning. Tyler Nokes will follow up.

Confined Spaces Rescue Team – Hermiston Fire may have a person that would take on a coordinator position for the committee. Scott Stanton will check with Pat Hart to see who that will be.

Natural Hazards Mitigation Planning

This is a plan that looks at natural hazards in the county. Umatilla County Planning would like LEPC to have a subcommittee to update this plan. Dean Marcum will read through the plan and report back at the next meeting.

Co-chair position

Thane Jennings (current Co-Chair) would like to step out of this position if someone is willing to take it on. Doug Paine would like to see a first responder in this position. It was mentioned that Pat Hart was willing to become the Chair of LEPC, so might be interested in the Co-Chair position.

Nominations were opened. Pat Hart was nominated. Nominations will be re-opened at the September meeting. Election of this position will occur at the September meeting also.

State Fire Marshal's Office

Bill Brauer was unable to attend.

Meeting Dates

Dean Marcum suggested trying a conference call for some meetings. It may improve attendance if people didn't have to travel for every meeting. Suggestion was made to do a conference call every other meeting and to make the meetings every other month.

Doug will check to see if this fits with our Bylaws.

Dean made a motion to move meetings to every other month (starting after the September meeting).
Motion accepted.

Next meeting: September 28 at 10 a.m., Hermiston Fire Station # 3
(Scott will schedule the room)

Next agenda:

Sub-Committee Reports

 Planning

 Confined Spaces Rescue Team

Natural Hazards Mitigation Planning

Reopen nominations and election of Co-Chair

State Fire Marshal's Office

Monthly meeting schedule