

LEPC Minutes

April 23, 2014 at Toledo Fire Department

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 and adjourned at 11:30

1. Introductions

3. Minutes: Motion by Anderson, seconded by Penter to accept minutes, passed unanimously.

4. Handouts:

Minutes, WA pipeline explosion, LEPC Plan Provisions (SARA III 303c), Goals and Expectations.

5. Discussion:

Chris Rampley (Newport Fire) has assumed Rob Murphy's responsibilities on this committee.

Discussion of public education, such as informing residents of situations through Everbridge/ reverse 911. How to inform tourists and visitors? Signs and maps, such as used for tsunami information, might be helpful but initial resistance and the need to manage perceptions would be anticipated.

Debriefing on bayfront ammonia leak, with information shared by fish processing facility personnel. Many small leaks have been handled successfully, but the group explored perceptions regarding facility capabilities and local response agency capabilities. What triggers escalation of response and requests for emergency response? Do facilities understand what emergency responders can and cannot do? Larger incidents and incidents requiring specialized resources such as Class A suits may be managed by zoning and evacuation while waiting for regional resources to arrive. Reviewed the N. American Emergency Response Guide for ammonia.

Chief Baker mentioned command and control, and the need to understand how that will work.

Terry Wolfe discussed 304 reports, directions and forms are on the Office of the State Fire Marshall's web site under community right to know. Failure to file required reports on a rapid timeline can result in fines.

Chief Ewing asked everyone to look at NIOSH information on the Ghent propane explosion:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JzdnUZReoLM>

<http://www.csb.gov/little-general-store-propane-explosion/>

6. Action Items:

All are encouraged to have meetings between facilities and responders. Be prepared to continue this discussion next month.

Next Meeting: May 28, 2014, 10:00, at Toledo Fire.