

MULTNOMAH COUNTY LEPC
Meeting Minutes
Friday March 9, 2012
Portland Fire & Rescue Training Center – Portland, OR

Members Present: Recorded by sign-in sheet

Brian Bailey called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.

Members present approved meeting minutes from December 9, 2011

Planning Sub-Committee update:

- Committee is attempting to conduct Phase I Reviews with multiple facilities at the local fire stations.
- Committee's focus is still on getting Planning Committee facilitators and the Captains at each fire station familiar with the review process.
- Six Phase I Reviews have been completed out of 138 that are needed. Committee is attempting to have all completed within two years.
- Portland Fire & Rescue's focus is on getting their crews to do a walkthrough of all sites.

Training Sub-Committee update:

- A survey was sent out to LEPC members via Survey Monkey. Eighteen responses were received back.

Web Site update:

- A discussion was held to determine how to raise \$35 per year to maintain the Multnomah County LEPC web site, and how to properly manage funds if any are received.
- Also discussed were options for storing data and creating a database.

An announcement was made that HMEP Grant Application process is open, but will close on April 2, 2012.

The Executive Committee was re-elected for one more year. It was also agreed that a quarterly LEPC Meeting schedule will continue.

Chris Greenhill from Department of Homeland Security briefly discussed vulnerabilities associated with chemical security with respect to terrorism and threat assessments for events. He suggested that LEPC provide a link for reporting suspicious activities on the website.

Hazmat Awareness Training at Mount Hood Community College was offered to interested members of the LEPC until available spaces were filled.

Patti Reuter from Portland Bureau of Emergency Management provided an update of activities:

- A duty officer monitors calls across disciplines to coordinate communications.
- PBEM is currently conducting meetings across bureaus to coordinate relations during emergencies and establish protocols, clarify roles, and responsibilities.

- Patti provided an overview of the emergency notification system. The first test did not work but improvements were made and re-tested successfully. The system can be accessed at PUBLICALERTS.ORG and companies are encouraged to get all their employees signed up.
- Local energy assurance planning is being done to address back-up energy requirements of business. PBEM is also trying to obtain State funding for a liason to coordinate public and private interactions.
- PBEM is developing a community risk reduction strategy for preparing neighborhoods for the hazards and types of emergencies that may occur and educate community members of their roles and responsibilities.

Captain Davies and Lieutenant Barron of Portland Fire & Rescue discussed the eleven hazmat teams that exist in Oregon and invited members out to the parking lot for a tour of the hazmat equipment used in Portland.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:30