

LEPC Minutes

May 28, 2014 at Toledo Fire Department

The meeting was called to order at 10:10

1. Introductions

2. Minutes: Accepted with corrected numbering

3. Handouts:

Minutes, Agenda with West Texas explosion notes, OSFM Emergency Response Services Branch Community Right to Know Program (from Mark Johnston)

4. Discussion:

Continued discussions:

- Ammonia leak response plus Examples of specific things that may be needed e.g. gas powered fans, high pressure water or generators.
- Roles and expectations, including who will have the lead at incidents, who will have the technical expertise, the need for facilities to provide situational awareness for response agencies, facility staffing and maintaining current knowledge and training for their own emergency response team.
- Response expectations range from "Pull us out" to mitigate and protect the public (facility employees, general public, responders.)
- Discussed training required for facility responders and fire department responders related to HAZMAT awareness, operations and technicians. Maintaining technician status is a challenge for volunteer fire departments due to extensive time commitment. Regional HAZMAT Team response may be required.
- Need for relationships and understandings between facilities and response agencies.

Mark Johnston, OSFM Community Right to Know program: Introduced himself and shared information about the upcoming Lincoln County EHS survey. This year's survey will ask for EHS coordinator contact information and for CAS# of EHS substances and whether it is a reportable quantity. After surveys are returned and reviewed for completion and quality assurance, information will be made available. Certain information like exact locations of EHS substances is restricted from public use.

5. Action Items: For the next meeting, identify and discuss weaknesses with the intent of facilities and responders working together to strengthen those areas.

Next Meeting: June 25, 2014, 10:00, at Toledo Fire.