
LEPC 6
Minutes
February 17, 2009

1. The meeting was called to order at 17:10.
2. Introductions. Josh O'Neill, Jack Horton, Jim Lipinski, David Moore, Allen Pike, Thomas Goddard, Andy Hall, Eric Stevens, Mark Considine, Dale West, Beth Baldwinpage, Cindy Martel, Pamela Corbett, Lisa Hecht, Herbert Meyer, Jim Tonkovich, Keith Clark, Andrea Hatch, Bruce Pollock, John Angil, Peter Coffey, David Dezendorf
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting.
MOVED and seconded to approve the January 20, 2009 minutes as written. VOTE:
approved.
4. James Lipinski from Emergency Notification System answered questions:
 - a. James stated that 911 data is updated constantly
 - b. 10,000 call per hour limit to Fairpoint
 - c. E.N.S. folks outsource the Activation of Reverse 911 to Vermont Emergency Management. Their database is established by statute and used during "Imminent Danger"
 - d. Duty Officer and Director at VEM can launch E.N.S. The E.N.S. folks see this as a "Grey Area"
 - e. Questions were brought up by several LEPC members stating that the Statute governing the activation of this system should be re-written.
 - f. Keith Clark mentioned that the LEPC should ask the Attorney General for an Opinion. Clear VEM protocols are needed
 - g. James Lipinski mentioned that folks should keep in mind that Reverse 911 is getting more obsolete everyday due to expansion of the use of cell phones.
 - h. It was mentioned that the Code Red System has changed names and is now known as "RENTS". It is a Private System and purchases commercial data.
 - i. James stated that Civil Liberty concerns nearly derailed the writing of the enabling statutory language 10-15 years ago.
 - j. It was decided that asking the Attorney General. for an opinion is probably the best route to take right now.
5. 2009 LEPC Goals and Meeting Times
 - a. Lisa Hecht wanted to discuss changing LEPC meeting times from month to month to try and accommodate members who are having conflicts with night meetings.
 - b. The pluses and minuses of alternating meeting times and locations were debated.
 - c. John Angil mentioned that doing call-ins via a speaker phone may help with coordinating member participation.
 - d. It was decided by membership upon a Motion that was Seconded, to try a schedule of alternating day and night times from month to month and alternating locations for a 6 month test period to see how effective this approach will be in increasing attendance among folks who don't normally make LEPC 6 meetings in the evening.
 - e. The next Meeting will be at the Putney Fire station on March 17th at 2pm.

- f. There was also discussion about LEPC Seminars coming up relating to the T.E.P.W.
 - g. There will be a VCOMM Seminar tentatively on March 31st at the Bellows Falls Fire Department from 6-8pm.
 - h. Andrea will develop the Invites and people will pass it on to their respective agencies. Josh O'Neill will coordinate invites for LEPC 3 members as well who would be interested.
 - i. It was discussed that Randy Bronson could do the LEPC Seminar for us. Peter will ask him to come to our next meeting to discuss.
6. HSU:
- a. Andrea Hatch discussed the Training and Exercise Workshop results briefly.
 - b. She stated that she is still waiting to hear back from some attendees on adding more trainings to the 3 -year training calendar that was developed at the workshop for LEPC 6.
 - c. The Final Report and 3 Year Training Calendar is likely to be presented to all members before the next LEPC meeting on March 17th.
7. VEM:
- a. Peter Coffey Got the E911 Rep /E.N.S. for this LEPC meeting
 - b. Contacting Scott Massie about utilities question; All utility questions should go through State EOC.
 - c. No discussion yet about Utilities-Local Emergency Operations Center communications via radio
 - d. John Angil mentioned that SBA Loans for Non-Profits relating to the Ice Storm Incident have a March 16th Deadline. He passed around a flyer with the SBA information on it.
 - e. Several VY Drills and Exercises will be occurring in the next few months. First one will be next week on February 25th. Communications will be a priority between IFO, JIC, and EOF.
8. CERT:
- a. Keith Clark gave the CERT update
 - b. He stated that John Borichevsky has taken the leadership role for the group.
 - c. The CERT Trailer is at the Newbrook Fire Station (Windham County Sheriff's Department registers and insures it)
 - d. CERT members want utilization, they are under utilized
 - e. They are all flagger certified
9. VSP:
- a. No Update
10. VDH:
- a. Pamela stated that E.P.Z. Town Emergency Management Directors will get a letter soon about Potassium Iodide Dosage.
 - b. She also brought up the fact that Health Care Rehabilitative Services (HCRS) is available for multiple uses such as counseling for Emergency Responders.

11. Training Committee:

- a. The Training Committee met on February 3rd to discuss the results of the January 29th T.E.P.W.
- b. Two Seminars will be the focus of initial work coming out of the TEPW. These will be a VCOMM Seminar tentatively scheduled for March 31st, and an LEPC 6 Seminar TBA.

12. Old Business:

- a. Nothing reported

13. New Business:

- a. Nothing reported

14. Next Meeting:

- i. March 17th, 2pm at the Putney Fire Station

15. Meeting Adjourned at 19:15.

Respectfully Submitted by,

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