
LEPC 6
Minutes
April 15, 2008

1. The meeting was called to order at 17:18.
2. Introductions. Lisa Hecht, Dale West, Barb Williams, Mark Considine, Rick Hopkins, Ross Nagy, Josh O'Neill, Judy Egan, Jon Abel, Kent Armstrong, Jack Horton, Donald Capponcelli, David Emery, Allen Pike, Art Smith David Moore, Gary Fox, Diane Champion, Jim Matteau.
 - a. Jim Matteau introduced Josh O'Neill, new assistant planner at the WRC who will be taking on many of the emergency planning duties and providing support to the LEPC.
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting.
MOVED and seconded to approve the March 18 minutes as written. VOTE: approved.
4. Mass care/Medical Surge
 - a. Ross Nagy presented information that had been prepared with the New England Center for Emergency Preparedness. The slides are attached as part of these meeting notes. It was noted that six such facilities are planned to be established around the state, 2 per year over a 3-year period. General characteristics include:
 - i. Shelter capacity for 250+
 - ii. Patient care for approximately 50
 - iii. Animal shelter proximate to the facility
 - b. A subcommittee of 1 or 2 people from each LEPC is proposed to oversee the planning; the Chair will appoint 2 from LEPC 6.
 - c. See PowerPoint slides sent in email with these minutes: {mass care med surge serc update_02-20-08}
5. HSU: No report.
6. VEM: Dave Emery
 - a. New planner, Chuck Dissinger, has joined VEM Brattleboro office, working with EPZ towns on RERP plans
 - b. There will be a walk-thru of the planned RERP bus drill on 4/17; unannounced drill to be week of May 19 [Update since 4/15 meeting: Drill will not be "unannounced", but instead is planned for May 28; JM]
 - c. A new National Response Framework is effective as of 3/22/08; Vermont response plan being redone
7. CERT: Dave Emery
 - a. CERT responsibility has been transferred to Dave from Sheriff Clark
 - b. Regular meetings are the second Thursday of each month, at the Putney Fire Department
 - c. Discussion has begun about establishing a second CERT group in the Wilmington area
 - d. Dave will provide lists of CERT capabilities & equipment to the LEPC
8. VSP: Rick Hopkins

- a. Public works equipment data collection task has been completed
 - b. Planning is underway for a large concert to be held in the Brattleboro area in mid to late September
9. VDH: Diane Champion
- a. VDH meeting with schools regarding pandemic flu planning
 - i. Guide developed with Dep't of Education; Draft under review for distribution
10. Training Committee: Lisa Hecht
- a. Margo Wilkins is added to that committee
11. Old Business:
- a. Mark Considine updated re: progress & plans for patient care & relocation from LTC facilities; host facility agreements being revised
12. New Business:
- a. Rick Hopkins reported on VCOMM meeting and new protocols and standard operating procedures being developed to meet federal requirements and top ensure effective implementation. Slides sent in email with these minutes: {VCOMM Interoperability SOP}
13. Next Meeting: 17:00, May 20, Brattleboro Retreat. Topic: TransCanada emergency planning; upcoming exercise re: Moore Dam.
14. Meeting Adjourned at 19:00.