

LEPC 6 MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2007

Minutes

Attending; Andy Hall (BMH), Rick Hopkins (VSP), Jim Tonkovich (VT 211), Mark
Considine (Rescue Inc.),
Laura Howe (Red Cross), Heath Boyer(Widham), John Angil(VEM), Eric
Stevens(Grafton Fire)

Welcome to Laura Howe representing Green Mountain Chapter, Red
Cross
Heath Boyer Representing the Town of Windham.

Minutes LEPC 6 Meeting was held at 18:30 at Grace Cottage Hospital,
Townshend. (Food provided. Thanks Barb!)
The January minutes were approved.

CERT Status- Rick Hopkins informed that Keith Clark (formally BF
Chief, now Windham County Sheriff.) has been providing training.
John Angill reported the participation was more in the Bellows
Falls area.

VEM/VSP Rick Hopkins advised that the small Towns EOC is
complicated when a representative is also on different agencies &
wants to conduct tasks. Like the Flooding; Guilford had the road
agent representing Public Works at the EOC & there was only two
people to deal with the roads.

VDH-A representative for VDH was absent. John Angil addressed the
KI doses & it was discussed that pediatric doses were to be
mixed. Andy Hall commented that at the Hospital, it takes more
time to mix so, tablets were easier. 450 doses for BMH.

Day Cares need to prepare & pre plan for any disaster or
evacuation also to provide numbers of pedes & information.

Andy also reported the State purchased a mass Cache of anti-
virals (tama flu & releza) and it was offered that the VT
Hospitals purchase a supply. For BMH it would be \$10,000 (out of
HRSA grant) on 4'x 8' pallets. It was decided by BMH, not to
purchase the Anti-Virals. It was impractical to provide secure,
storage & who is responsible for keeping up with expirations and
dispense Meds. It would make more sense for Vt. to store & keep
track of the meds. If needed, Hospitals are to retrieve a Cache
of Meds at centrally located P.O.D.s around the state. Rick
advised there is a security factor. VSP is to provide an escort
for transportation. The other problem is the Anti-Virals cannot
be used for a heavy flu season only for a pandemic.

A 211 presentation was provided by Jim Tonkovitch. 211 provides
access to information that may not accessible in the Phone book

or 911. Do not want to tie up 911 with questions. People can access the 211 E-Mail; <http://www.vt211.org/>

Future Meeting Plans- Potentially, a Methamphetamine awareness presentation. Rick Hopkins will look into that.

Old Business-Mark Considine briefed the LEPC about Rescue's MCI trailer & also requested a letter of endorsement from the LEPC for the HS Grant funding of the Mass casualty trailer. Rod, Mark & Andy to meet & draft a letter.

New & Other Business- Mark Considine reported, that Rescue Inc now had an inflatable 13'x 22' MCI 50-Patient Shelter with utilities provided: Heat, Light, Power, & AC, With the caveat that, it could be deployed anywhere in the State where it was requested. Andy asked if there were cots. Mark said there were backboards. Andy was told by Dave Hannum that there are many spare cots stored at the Gibson Aiken Center. The cots need to be looked at to make sure they still are in working condition since they may be old & if in fact they could be used.

Eric Stevens wanted to know what other Towns do for Radio talk around if Towns don't have VICOM. Many Southeastern VT Towns are dispatched & reports given through South West NH mutual aid. Eric stated; it would be nice to be able to talk to outside agencies or towns that operate on different frequencies with one radio. Eric will talk to Tom Goddard about what Putney does. The Putney train derailment Haz-Mat incident was discussed. Putney Fire Chief, Tom Goddard had Keene Haz-Mat team respond vs requesting & getting one to come all the way from Windsor.

Next Meeting to be held at Brattleboro Central Fire Station on March 20 at 14:00

Meeting Adjourned at 20:15

Reported by; Andy Hall