



**MIAMI COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE
QUARTERLY MEETING
March 7th, 2024**

I. Meeting was called to order by Joel Smith at 4:00 PM.

Members Present: Jim Bowell, Chief Rick Byron, Jim Crawford, Wade Dexter, Ron Dye, Mark Eberhardt, Chief Cameron Haller, Mark Helke, Aaron Hollopeter, Beth Hull, Stan Kegley, Jeff Lewis, Brad Petry, Joel Smith, David Stockler.

Members Absent: Chad Allen, Nancy Bowman, Chuck Drake, Ursula Dreier Sheriff Dave Duchak, Jim Garrett, Prosecutor Tony Kendell, Commissioner Ted Mercer, Abigail Richards.

Guest present: Sam Reed (Ohio EMA)

Joel welcomed new members and presented a short overview of the LEPC purpose and activities.

II. Approval of minutes of the December 7th, 2023 quarterly meeting, as sent out. Jim Bowell moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting; seconded by Ron Dye. Motion carried.

III. Financial report: Joel Smith presented the financial report as follows:

Balance at last meeting	\$93,624.84
Income since last meeting	\$0
Expenses since last meeting	\$7,561.64
Current Balance	\$86,063.20

- a. Income includes: none.
- b. Expenses were \$670.00 to Ginghamburg Church for electrician support at October 2023 LEPC Functional Exercise, \$1,271.00 to Premier Safety for SO2 and CL2 sensors, and \$5,620.64 salary and benefits for LEPC IC from December 2023 to February 2024.
- c. Acceptance of financial report. It was moved by Ron Dye to approve the financial report; seconded by Mark Helke. Motion carried.

IV. Old Business:

- a. Joel presented an update in the current status of Tier II Reports received to date: 28 facilities have submitted reports with Extremely Hazardous Materials; 30 facilities have submitted reports with only Hazardous Materials.

- b. Hazmat Team Activities and Responses. David Stockler reported that there has been no team callouts in the past quarter. There are sixteen new members on the team including 11 from Tipp City FD and EMS. The team is implementing a HazMedic program to ensure medical capabilities are resident on the team.
- c. EHS site visits. Jeff Lewis reported that he will start conducting EHS site visits in April once all the Tier II Reports are in.
- d. Cost Recovery Actions: Jeff Lewis reported there have been no cost recovery receipts in the past quarter and no outstanding cost recovery actions.
- e. Public Information Requests: Jeff Lewis reported there have been no public information requests in the past quarter.

V. New Business:

- a. Expenditure Approval Request: Payment to Upper Valley Career Center for front desk receptionist during Weather Spotter Training at a cost not to exceed \$60.00. Moved to approve by Joel Smith; seconded by Ron Dye. Motion carried.
- b. Expenditure Approval Request: Payment to Atlantic Emergency Solutions for light/camera tower compressor replacement on Hazmat/Command Vehicle at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00. Moved to approve by Jim Bowell; seconded by Chief Cameron Haller. Motion carried.
- c. Sub-Committee Membership. Joel Smith reviewed the existing LEPC Sub-Committees and their primary responsibilities. Joel invited LEPC members to consider membership on subcommittees and report to Jeff or Joel in the next two weeks membership preferences. Joel encouraged each sub-committee to meet before the July 2024 LEPC meeting.

VI. Sub-Committee Reports:

- a. Exercise and Training. Joel Smith informed the group of HAZWOPER Training being provided in March and April 2024 by the Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation. Joel Smith reported that the Hazmat Training Officer is preparing a submission for training courses funded by Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant.
- b. Equipment. David Stockler submitted two requests for purchase:
 - 1) Expenditure Approval Request: Payment to Clayton Robbins, member of Hazmat Team Truck Committee for \$85.00 entrance fee to FDIC to research long-term future replacement of Hazmat Vehicle. Moved to approve by Dave Stockler; seconded by Jeff Lewis. Motion carried.
 - 2) Expenditure Approval Request: Purchase of up to \$3,500 to purchase portable light kits to enable damming and diking operations at night remote from power sources. Multiple quotes were presented. Wade Dexter suggested cheaper price might be possible from Troy True Value Hardware. Moved to approve by Dave Stockler; seconded by Brad Petry. Motion carried.
- c. Community Resources and Information. Nothing to report.

d. Planning. Nothing to report.

e. Executive. Nothing to report.

VII. Purchase Needs: No additional.

VIII. Good of the Order: Jeff Lewis notified the group that the hazmat team was now a member of the Clandestine Laboratory Investigators Association which will allow additional training for the team. Discussion continued regarding the lack of evidence collection capability during a recent Hazmat response involving a meth lab. Chief Byron brought up starting more hazmat and meth lab training for law enforcement. Jeff Lewis will reach out to area law enforcement and gauge interest.

IX. Next Meeting: Next meeting will be on June 6th, 2024 at 4:00 pm at the Hobart Center for County Government in Troy.

X. Adjournment: With no further business to be presented, it was moved by Dave Stockler and seconded by Chief Cameron Haller to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:00 pm.