

**LEPC Meeting  
November 17, 2010**

**Call to Order**

Dave Hall called the meeting to order at 10:09 AM 17 November 2010.

**Roll Call**

Jim Drinnon, acting Secretary conducted roll call; initially 19 members were present with 3 members arriving late for a total of 22 members present.

**Minutes Review and Treasures Report**

The September meeting minutes were reviewed and the following corrections were noted: Jimmy Gordon's report should read Region J instead of Region 5. Minutes were passed as corrected. Treasurers' report from September meeting was reviewed and approved unanimously.

**Membership Comments**

- Keith Jones-USCG a Port Security TTX is scheduled for Thursday Nov 18 the Custom's and Border Patrol Office. Many LEPC members were scheduled to participate in the TTX.
- David Grotyohann-final drawing for the command and control center at the Savannah Civic Center was approved. This C7C is NOT an EOC there is only one EOC in Chatham County. This site can be used by any agency that needs a Command Center during any type of response.
- Stan Cooper SWS was deeply involved in the Gulf response. This makes our response capability stronger since SWS now has additional boom and boats will be available as the Gulf response winds down.
- James Vickers-New HazMat van will be arriving soon to replace the old Hazmat van. Hazmat is conducting flow analysis. They will be working with Savannah State University Interns in developing the flow plan.
- Chip Grefski-SCCPSS he has been re-elected as President VOAD.
- Jimmy Gordon-Region J Hospitals just has a table top exercise in preparation for a full scale evacuation exercise May 19, 2011.
- Hugh Farrell- Work is started for the new Skidaway Narrows Drawbridge onto Skidaway Island. This will have impacts on traffic on the Diamond Parkway. PSAs are being used to help keep the public informed of delays and temporary closures as construction progresses.
- Lynn Gensamer-Reminded everyone of the importance of having pets micro-chipped. She cites recent story of the dog that saved lives in Afghanistan being brought home to the USA and got out of owner's yard. The local Animal Control Agency euthanized the dog after holding it per-regulation. If it had been chipped the owner could have been notified.

**Presentations:**

None

**Sub-Committee Reports:**

**Steering Committee**-The Full Scale Exercise ( FSE) was held Oct 27. Deferred to the Training and Exercise Committee for full report.

**Outreach-** No Report

**Emergency Response-** No Report

**Grants and Finance-** No Report

**Training and Exercise-**An overview of the Oct. 27 FSE was presented to the LEPC. Overall the FSE was a success and critical issues were uncovered that will improve the communities' ability to respond to a multi-jurisdictional event. Issues included:

- Unified Command- there needs to be more training in the use of Unified Command
- Communications- need for radio training especially the use of command and common channels is needed.
- Incident Management Teams (IMT)- If events are long in duration, multi-agencies involved and are complex in response, the need for IMT was clearly demonstrated. Many of the exercise controllers and facilitators were also the decision makers for their agencies. They were not able to fill both rolls. An IMT would have alleviated this shortfall for the response.
- A hard copy of AAR was given to the LEPC for historical record.
- Other items for the LEPC from the Training and Exercise Committee were;
- CEMA is developing a Training and Exercise Committee. This committee will develop a training calendar for agencies in Chatham County. This calendar will give trainers and exercise planners a look at any exercise that requires multi-agency coordination, will also have when ICS classes are scheduled, and other information that will help alleviate duplication of efforts for training events and exercises.
- The Oct 27, 2010 FSE fulfilled the State requirement for the LEPC exercise.

**Old business:**

No Old Business

**New Business:**

No New Business

**Closing:**

Dave Hall reminded everyone of the next LEPC meeting scheduled for Jan 19, 2011 (location TBA). He also wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Meeting was adjourned at 11:25 AM.