

INDIANA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION (IERC) MEETING  
Indiana Government Center South  
302 West Washington Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana  
July 12, 2010 1:00 P.M.

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

Mr. Bruce Palin, designee chairman of the IERC, welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for a roll call.

**ROLL CALL TO ORDER**

Bruce Palin – IDEM	Brian Lott – Local Government
Jim Pridgen – Industry Representative	Mike Bigler – State Representative
Shawn French – Industry Representative	Roger Powers – Local Government
Sherman Greer – Local Government	

**The following Commission members were absent:**

Carol Shelby – Public Representative	Thomas Melville- State Representative
Mike Garvey – IDHS Chair	Dean Larson – Public Representative

**The following staff members were present:**

John Steel – IDHS	Ian Ewusi – IDHS/IDEM
Laura Steadham – IDEM	Mara Snyder - IDHS

**The following members of the audience were present:**

Jeff Larmore – Marion County LEPC	Pam Thevenow – Marion County LEPC
Gary McDaniel- Kosciusko County LEPC	Ed Yochum – Knox County LEPC
Jim Plum – Jefferson County	

**QUORUM**

LEPC Coordinator indicated a quorum was present

**CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES**

A motion to approve and adopt the minutes from the May 10, 2010, meeting was made by Mr. Greer and seconded by Mr. Lott. **MOTION CARRIED**

## **REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

No Report

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Communications Committee—Sherman Greer, Chair**

Mr. Greer reported that the Communications Committee met and reviewed award submissions and recommended the following to receive awards;

- Exercise; Grant, Marion, Hamilton, Johnson and Hendricks County
- Administrative; Decatur and Gibson
- Public Education and Outreach; Miami, Posey and Wabash
- Commodity Flow; Wabash
- Special Recognition; William Reed

Mr. Greer continued discussion of the draft agenda for the September Conference, as well as re-establishing the CERCULAR newsletter as a way to promote LEPC activities, share information and highlight members.

### **Policy/Technical Committee—James Pridgen/Dean Larson, Co-Chairs**

Mr. Pridgen, Co-Chair of the Policy/Technical Committee reported that the Policy/Technical Committee met this morning to review a request from Jennings County LEPC to approve them allocating \$5,000 for a match to purchase 800Mhz Radios for local fire departments. It was felt by committee members that this would not be a suitable expense. It was recommended that they be guided to other funding sources. A motion was made by Mr. Lott to deny this request, second made by Mr. Powers. **MOTION CARRIED TO DENY THIS REQUEST.**

### **Training Committee—Carol Shelby, Chair**

Chief Lott submitted 2 names of trainers wishing to be added to the vendors list. The first vendor is Eric Nichols with Krise Consulting and Michael Sieverding of Greensburg, Indiana. Both have met the requirements and it is recommended for approval.

Mr. Greer made a motion to approve, second by Mr. Pridgen. **MOTION CARRIED**

### **Fiscal Committee—Bruce Palin, Chair**

No report

Motion was made by Chief Lott to accept the committee reports, second by Mr. French. **MOTION CARRIED**

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mara Snyder is continuing to check into potential legislative changes into being able to reallocate funds to other LEPCs and if LEPCs could hire employees. Ms. Snyder will report at a future meeting once she has obtained this information.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Greer recommended that with the September IERC meeting the same week of the IERC/LEPC Conference that the Commission considers rescheduling to September 16. The IERC/LEPC Coordinator will poll the Commission Members and check on the availability of meeting space.

**REPORT OF THE FIELD REPRESENTATIVE**

Mr. Ewusi reported on the recent funding release to the compliant LEPCs. In the 2009 funding release there were 28 non compliant LEPCs, for year 2010, there were 24 non compliant LEPCs. There was a reduction of funding; this was partially due to a drop in reporting facilities. This is result of facilities reducing their inventories below the reporting threshold or going out of business.

Mr. Ewusi also provided notes from the second Policy/Technical Committee meeting in May. The purpose of this discussion was to come up with ways to get more non-compliant LEPCs to gain full compliance.

**MEMBERSHIP ROSTER APPROVALS**

Mr. Ewusi reported that the following 12 counties had submitted new or updated rosters for approval:

Allen	Brown	Dearborn	Delaware
Jay	Knox	Marshall	Miami
Monroe	St. Joseph	Warren	Warrick

Mr. Greer made a motion to approve the rosters and was seconded by Chief Lott. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**LEPC COMMENTS**

Jim Plum of the Jefferson County LEPC provided a report on the recent NASTTPO meeting. Mr. Plum discussed changes in the HMEP Grant is going to a Safety Performance Indicator. Starting in the 2011-12 HMEP reporting process, more information must be provided to see how the money is being spent, such as how many people are being trained. Mr. Plum continued with an update for the University of Dallas Texas E-Plan Program.

**EPA COMMENTS**

No Report

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No Report

**NEXT MEETING**

September 13, 2010, 1:00 P.M.  
Indiana Government Center South, Conference Room A

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 2:45 P.M.

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Michael Garvey, Chair