

## Grant Local Emergency Planning Committee

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February 22, 2018 LEPC Meeting Minutes

Don Button called the meeting to order at 9:32am with 8 members present. Those present were Don Button, Vivian Button, Jerry Jo Deckert, Richard Everett, Toni Irvin, Jill Robinson, Kevin Shapland, and Ron Younger.

**Richard Everett** made a motion to approve the Minutes to the January 25, 2018 LEPC Meeting. Kevin Shapland Seconded Motion carried.

Richard Everett stated he was surprised that Stanton County had more people show up for their LEPC than Grant County does. Vivian stated Kearney County has more attend also.

We have received 6 Tier II report. They are very slow coming in this year.

We received two Spill Reports. One was saltwater/brine and the other diesel from a broken fuel line.

Mass Fatality table top Exercise was January 30 in Garden City. Those attending were John and Terry Crosby, Paul Fort, Jovita Partida, Jill Robinson, Alan Olson, Don and Vivian Button. We are waiting on the After Action Report to complete our Improvement Plan. State finished the last exercise on Thursday so the After Action Report should be coming soon. They should send it to the Emergency Managers. Health Departments have to provide one Improvement Plan item for each of their core capabilities tested.

Jeff Hutton from the National Weather Service will conduct Storm Identification and Spotter Training on March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the Civic Center Lawson Room.

Our area Kansas Pipeline Association meeting is March 6 at 5:30pm at Stevens County Memorial Hall. Our area includes Grant, Morton, Stanton and Stevens. Liberal's meeting is March 7 at 11:30 and Garden City's meeting is March 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:30.

Steven County had a hay bale fire that burned 25,000 bales. The winds were suppose to increase and change direction so they completed a back burn which saved from the fire getting worse. The train started a fire just north of Patterson Ave between Road L and Road N. The fire traveled about a mile and a half and burned approximately 300 to 350 acres. The winds were only about seven to ten mile an hour. The County greatly appreciates all of the help from the farmers with their tractors and disc to help slow down and stop the fires. Cimarron Valley has been working trying to prevent these fires. The National Weather Service has new technology that can show flames from fires and hot spots that can be potential fire locations.

Don attended the Southern Plains Wildfire Forum on February 13 in Beaver Oklahoma. Attending were concerned citizens, ranchers, farmers and weather people. They talked about control burns and the liability issues. Instead of control burns they are called prescribed burns now.

The Regional Homeland Security Council has purchased O2 Track to help with accountability on scene at incidents. Participants can be scanned in with cell phones. Comprehensive Resource Management & Credentialing System Workshop will be held on March 15 in Wichita and will include O2 Track training.

Health Care Coalition (HCC) will have an exercise the week of April 12<sup>th</sup>. It will be in a large hospital and will test med surge, evacuation and EMS systems. The large hospital will talk to smaller hospitals about how many patients they can take and how to get them there. The HCC is also going to purchase some canned tabletop exercise from The Blue Cell. They will have five scenarios and will work for hospital, long term care and public health. The exercises are HSEEP compliant the cost is \$1,350.

Jerry Deckert said she attended the EMS Capital Day in Topeka and visited with John Doll and Steve Alford. She also attended an EMS conference. She also talked about proposed plat of lots for people to buy and build east of the cemetery on highway 160. March 10<sup>th</sup> is the date for the Chamber Banquet with a "Take me out to the Ballgame" theme.

Upcoming training: G 300 Intermediate ICS, March 15-16 Meade and May 22-23 Colby; ICS 400 on March 6-7 in Lawrence, April 18-19 in Meade, June 11-12 in Colby; AWR-136-Essentials of Community Cyber-security & MGT-384-Community Preparedness for Cyber Incidents April 3-4 in Wichita; and PER-220 Emergency Response to Domestic Biological Incidents April 24-25 in Wichita.

**2018 Tech Hazards LEPC conference Capital Plaza Hotel in Topeka on July 25-27 (Grant County Fair July set up 16-17 booths 18-19- 20)**

The next regular LEPC meeting will be March 22, 2018 at 9:30am at Grant County Courthouse basement training room.

A motion to adjourn was made by Toni Irvin and seconded by Jill Robinson. Meeting was adjourned at 10:36am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Vivian Button