

**Grant County Local Emergency Planning Committee**  
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LEPC Minutes January 27, 2022

Don Button called the meeting to order at 1:05pm on January 27, 2022 at 715 E Oklahoma Ave, Grant County Fire Department. Members attending were Jeff Baier, Don Button, Vivian Button, John Crosby, Richard Everett, Denise James, Danny Law, Jared McCauley, Mark McGaughey, Elizabeth Rogers, and Christy Wooley. Guest attending for the exercise were Andrew Fort, Rocking Heifer Feed Yard; Vaughn Lorenson, Stanton County Emergency Management; Kara Butterfield, USDA-APHIS and Garrett Girk, USDA-APHIS.

John Crosby made motion to approve the Minutes the November 18, 2021, LEPC Meeting with one correction on the last page. Take out Richard talked about an HSEEP class in February. Jeff Baier seconded. Motion approved.

Communications/Mail –LEPC received the First Tier II for the year of 2021. These have to be submitted to the state by March 1, 2022 and a copy to the LEPC and Fire Department. We also received Pipeline Safety information from Midwest Energy, Inc., Hays Kansas.

Covid-19 response update: Lots going on, our positive numbers were over 200 but are coming back down. CDC has changed the isolation and quarantine information for people with Covid-19 and their close contacts.

#### New Business

Grant County has six new spill reports. Four Brine and salt water spills, one crude oil spill and one lubricating oil spill.

Don Button will be retiring from Emergency Management on March 4, 2022. Paul Fort resigned as the Emergency Medical Service Director in January but will still be on the service. The Commissioners have hired Jeff Baier as the full time Emergency Medical Service Director and part-time Emergency Management Coordinator.

It is January and time for Election of Officers. The current LEPC officers are Don Button, Chair; John Crosby, Vice Chair, and Vivian Button, Secretary and Information Coordinator. Because of the changes in departments at this time Mark McGaughey requested we table elections until next month.

KDHE has a COOP Exercise the Health Departments have to complete. This Exercise has been scheduled for the next LEPC meeting. It should not take as long as the USDA FAD Exercise we did this month.

After an exercise last year the members of the LEPC requested a G300 Intermediate Incident Command class, it was postponed until January. The class was held on January 18, 19 and 20<sup>th</sup> at the Grant County Fire Station. Six people attended all from out of the county.

KDA FAD Exercise with the Extension Office was held with the LEPC January Meeting. The information will be on a different format.

Upcoming training-State - the G400 Advanced Incident Command System Course on February 16 and 17 in Ulysses; the LO105 Public Information Basics Training will be in Emporia on April 25-27, 2022. Kansas Pipeline Association's Annual Pipeline Emergency Response and Damage Prevention training March 2, 2022 at 11:30am at the Grant County Civic Center, and National Weather Service Storm Identification and Spotter Training March 8.

The next regular meeting February 24, 2022 at 1:00pm at the meeting room of the Grant County Fire Station at 715 E. Oklahoma Ave.

Mark McGaughey made a motion to adjourn and Richard Everett seconded. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 4:05pm after the exercise.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Vivian Button.