

## **MONTGOMERY COUNTY LEPC QUARTERLY MEETING: 8/9/23 NOTES**

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Meeting Location: Public Safety Headquarters, 100 Edison Park Drive, Gaithersburg, MD, 20878

### **New Action Items:**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Responsible Party</b>
<b>Membership Appointment and Voting</b>	<b>LEPC Facilitator</b>

### **Previous Action Items:**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Responsible Party</b>
<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>

# Welcome / Introductions

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## New Business

## HAZMAT Permitting Program – Barbara Moore

Attended the National Association of SARA Title III Program Officials (NASTTPO) conference in Salk Lake City and was elected as the Region 3 representative. Additionally, the County is almost halfway through the season for renewals and the community right to know for the LEPC have received low Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests.

*OEMHS Updated- Patrick Fleming*

OEMHS is currently working on two major projects, the Hazard Mitigation Plan and the Emergency Operations Plan. The Hazard Mitigation Plan is conducted every 5 years and focuses on natural hazards that affect the County. OEMHS is working and engaging with local municipalities to update the threat landscape. A community survey was recently conducted and another survey will be delivered in June or July. The Emergency Operation Plan is being updated for the first time in 5 years and will not likely have major significant updates. A completed update was conducted with the Emergency Support Functions (ESFs) and the first draft of the plan is to be completed in the next week and a half. During the last update, the LEPC commented on the plan and to review the current draft plan, contact Mitch Dinowitz.

### ***LEPC Core Group Update – Randy Norman***

The Core Group has been a working group and developed a “revitalization” of the LEPC group and examined how the LEPC functions. The Core Group worked alongside OEMHS in crafting a Vision Statement, Mission Statement, and a set of Bylaws. Additionally, the Core Group assists with the selection of LEPC membership and helps facilitate the functioning of the LEPC. However, COVID stalled the Core Group a bit and some members of the group have transitioned elsewhere.

### ***Fire Rescue Hazmat Update – Battalion Chief Ivan Browning***

No briefing conducted due to a real-world HazMat response.

### **Membership Appointment / Voting**

- LEPC Chair – Luke Hodgson
- LEPC Vice Chair – Bruce Donato
- LEPC Facilitator – TBD
- Community Right-to-Know Coordinator – Barbara Moore
- Police – Cpl. Carl Holland
- Fire – BC Ivan Browning
- EMS – AC Dan Ogren
- Fire Marshal – Rick Merck
- Civil Defense – Michael Goldfarb
- Public Health – Sean O’Donnell / Mark Arsenault?
- Environmental Protection – Steve Martin
- Transportation – Joe Pospisil?
- Hospitals – Charles Graf?
- Regulated Facilities (up to 5)
  - Mike Cakouros
  - Christine McKendrew
  - Jeff Alderdice
  - Randy Norman
  - Robert Sullivan
- Citizens At-Large (up to 3):
  - Jen Singer
  - Brandon Rytting
  - John Gustafson
- Federal Facilities – Melanie Robinson
- Broadcast and Print Media – VACANT OPI?
- Community Groups – Hoan Dang

## **Moving Forward**

### ***Next Meeting – LEPC Facilitator***

Next meeting will be TBD Fall 2023

For topics or to host a meeting please contact [emergency.management@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:emergency.management@montgomerycountymd.gov)

Location TBD