



LEPC MEETING AGENDA
March 26, 2014 – 10:00 AM
Savannah Civic Center – Mason Room



- I. **Call to Order and Welcome**..... Hugh Futrell
- II. **Roll Call & Introduction of Guest** Denise McCoy
- III. **Minutes Review**..... Denise McCoy
 - **Minutes Attached**
- IV. **Treasurer’s Report** Dennis Jones
 - **Treasurer’s Report**
 - **Previous Checking Account Balance** **\$14,522.99**
 - **Disbursements** **\$0.00**
 - **Checking Available** **\$14,522.99**
 - **CD** **\$11,817.37**
 - TOTAL BALANCE** **\$26,340.36**
- V. **General Membership Comments**..... Hugh Futrell
- VI. **Sub-Committee Reports:**
 - **Steering Committee**..... Steve Thompson
 - **Support and Development** Kory Reeves
 - **Outreach**..... Denise McCoy
 - **Grants and Finance**..... Dennis Jones
 - **Training and Exercise**..... Dave Hall
 - **Emergency Response**..... James Vickers
- VII. **Old Business**
- VIII. **New Business**
 - **Membership Requests**
 - ❖ **Kerry Ingredients**..... Hugh Futrell
 - **Annual Report** Hugh Futrell
 - **2014 Meeting Schedule** Denise McCoy
 - **Agency Spotlight**..... Denise McCoy
- IX. **Closing:** Next Meeting, May 21, 10 am
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Call to Order

Hugh Futrell called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM on March 26, 2014.

Roll Call and Introduction of Guests

Roll call was conducted by calling out from the member roster. A total of 26 member agencies were present and 3 guest agency was present including Home Depot, Port City Logistics, and Kerry Ingredients.

Minutes Review

The minutes from the previous meeting, January 15, 2014, were accepted by the membership.

Treasurer’s Report

The treasurer’s report was read and accepted as read:

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No disbursements to report since previous meeting.

Membership Comments

- Georgia Power – Transitioning/closing plants due to environmental regulations. Plant Kraft has 2 years left – closing April 2016. Plants in Brunswick and Albany shutting down now. Maintaining focus on safety and compliance issues as people are shifted to different facilities.
- CEMA – St. Patrick’s Day is done. The Annual Hurricane Conference will be on April 22. Anson is staying busy with Tier II Filing season.
- Georgia Historical Records Advisory Board - Their Atlanta counterpart (Heritage Emergency Response Atlanta) did a test run with GEMA that was successful. GHRAB will be participating in HUREX with GEMA.
- SAGIS – They will also be involved in the hurricane conference.
- Savannah Fire – Fire boat specifications have been submitted to purchasing, and they are going out for bid this week. Savannah Fire should have a fire boat within 10-12 months. Doing Haz Mat refreshers throughout the department and reviewing/refreshing plans for upcoming hurricane season
- Rescue training – Will be doing Blackhawk training at Hunter so they don’t have to travel.
- Savannah Heritage Emergency Response – Will be at the hurricane conference and the SCAD historic collections conference.
- Ashland – Sale of their division has been announced globally. Ashland will be acquired by CBR Holdings. Hazard planning is underway for an upcoming plant expansion.
- Savannah Spill Response Corporation – There is a spill response conference in Savannah in May. There will be on water demonstrations May 8.
- Chat County Public Health – CDC has announced an arthropod disease known as “chikunguna” which is carried by mosquitoes. 15,000 cases have been reported in the Caribbean and could be moved into the US.
- Home Depot Supply Chain – Adding a facility on Jimmy Deloach to assist with hurricane response. Also, if need help for events, team depot volunteers are available.

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- BASF – The Eastside advisory panel up and running, and meeting quarterly. They have had good participation from residents, industry members, and school principals. CEMA will speaking at their next meeting.
- Pete Liakakis – if have specific concerns for the legislature, he can help.
- CEMA – They are about to embark on an extensive effort for recovery. Historically the focus has been on emergency response. We need to focus on recovery to rebuild the community after a disaster. CEMA will be bringing in experts to help but would like a committee from LEPC as well so representatives from industry can provide input. Interested members should let a member of the board know.
- South Side Fire – heading to Statesboro for firefighter competition.

Sub-Committee Reports

- Steering Committee – Nothing to report. Would like input on goal for this year – initiatives for membership, etc. No goals have been established at this point. Full-scale training is required this year.
- Support and Development – Nothing to report.
- Outreach – Nothing to report. All Tier II facilities included in meeting announcements as a way to include more stakeholders in the LEPC.
- Grants and Finance – Nothing to report. No requests for funding have been made. Have to spend \$5,000 before June. Cancelled checks have to be included in the July report. If there are no recommendations now, we will have to have them by the May meeting. The money has to be spent or it will be returned to the state. Training may be a way to spend this.
- Training and Exercise – Full Scale Exercise (FSE) to be conducted during 2014. As discussed before, LEPC will be looking to team up with other agencies / industry that will be conducting an exercise. The Savannah International Airport is doing a full-scale exercise May 2. This might be a good opportunity for the LEPC. CEMA will be meeting with the Airport next week so they will discuss it then – the Airport does not have representation on LEPC.
- Emergency Response – Savannah Fire is in the process of transitioning to the global harmonization system.. The State has not required it yet, but they are working on it now. O'Brien & Gere can provide the GHS training. Regarding the fire at the port – water infrastructure was not sufficient to fight the fire. Fire crews were able to manage it only because they had industrial pumps available that were obtained through a grant. They were able to deploy these pumps in conjunction with garden city. GPA assisted as well – they were able to provide a lot of resources. Pre-planning and grants allowing them to get equipment, and allowed them to save as much of the building as they did. These efforts for preparedness made a huge difference, especially when compared to past fires in this area which burned for days. GPA provided lights, cranes, backhoes, etc – resources they have readily available. The Chatham Area Resource Table (CART) list is critical to helping plan for these events.

Old Business

- Chief Futrell reminded the membership about the CART to document and track assets available within the County. For clarification – once it is on the list, it is not committed. It is just a voluntary resource list and it may be requested. There may also be some reimbursement available – the intent is not to obligate equipment that an individual facility might need.

New Business

- Membership accepted Kerry Ingredients
- Application submitted by Home Depot – membership accepted

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- Annual Report approved
- O'Brien & Gere presented an Agency Spotlight.

Closing

Chairman Futrell adjourned the meeting at 11:05 am. The next meeting is May 21st, 2014 at 10:00 AM, at the Savannah Civic Center –3rd Floor Ballroom.

Meeting Minutes Produced by Denise McCoy, LEPC Secretary

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise McCoy, O'Brien & Gere, LEPC Secretary

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