



LEPC MEETING MINUTES
 January 16, 2019 – 10:00 AM
 Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems
 Americas, Inc. Plant



- I. **Call to Order and Welcome**..... Randall Mathews
- II. **Roll Call & Introduction of Guests** Stephanie Cox
- III. **Minutes Review**..... Randall Mathews
- IV. **Treasurer’s Report** Stephanie Cox

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Interest Accrual	0.62
Deposits	0.00
Disbursements	0.00
Current Account Balance (12/31/2018)	18,670.62
- V. **General Membership Comments**..... Randall Mathews
- VI. **Old Business**
- VII. **New Business**
 - Subcommittee Reports Randall Mathews/Sub-chairs
 - ❖ Training and Exercise Vacant
 - ❖ By-Laws/Steering Tom Dolan
 - ❖ Grants and FinanceStephanie Cox
 - ❖ Support and Development Greg Rouse
 - ❖ OutreachSteve Thompson
 - ❖ Emergency Response James Vickers
 - Membership ApplicationRandall Mathews
 - 2019 Meeting DatesStephanie Cox
 - Agency Spotlight..... Robert Vazzi, OSHA
- VIII. **Closing:** Next Meeting, March 20, 2019 at 10 am
 Skidaway Island State Park, Group Shelter



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Call to Order

Bobby Lamb welcomed the LEPC to the Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems Americas, Inc. Plant and gave an overview of the plant. Randall Mathews called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM on January 16, 2019.

Roll Call and Introduction of Guests

Roll call was conducted from the member roster. A total of 18 member agencies were present, therefore there is a quorum.

Minutes Review

November minute meetings were reviewed by Randall Mathews. No comments were made. Motion made to accept the minutes. Motion was seconded. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer’s Report

The treasurer’s report for the January meeting was reviewed by the LEPC:

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Treasurer’s report was reviewed by Stephanie Cox. No comments were made. Motion made to accept the Treasurer’s Report. Motion was seconded. Treasurer’s Report were approved.

Membership Comments

- Chatham County Engineering – the Chatham County Commission unanimously passed the new flood plan prevention order that requires a 3 foot freeboard on top of the FEMA standard for all new homes built in Chatham County.



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- OSHA continues to work during the government shutdown.
- Public Health – working on building a tabletop exercise to discuss the evacuation of those citizens on the Hurricane Registry evacuation list due to functional, access or medical needs.
- City of Savannah – there is a Disaster Recovery Workshop, and other training opportunities next week. These events are on the GEMA training website. City of Savannah and CEMA will be speaking on a panel during one of the sessions.
- Savannah Fire – currently revising and reviewing their Strategic Plan. If any local facilities would like to work with Savannah Fire on HAZMAT issues, please contact Chief Bandy.
- SHER – the SHER chairperson is affected by the government shutdown and is therefore not doing any SHER duties, this could be problematic if the shutdown continues into hurricane season. GEMA and local historical societies are trying to use grant money to create a state-wide database for contact information of all historical organizations within Georgia. The Public Library System is having a disaster workshop in February.
- Memorial Hospital – Region J recently received all new SouthernLinc radios. Operations with the new phones will begin in February. Memorial Hospital is actively working with CEMA and various other agencies on different exercises and trainings.
- Solenis – currently has an opening as Johnnie Quiller has accepted a position with BASF
- O'Brien & Gere – OBG has been purchased by Ramboll, business is as usual. They now have more resources within the Southeast to pull from.
- BASF – Michelle Nooney is leaving BASF and will be replaced by Johnnie Quiller.
- CEMA
 - CEMA is rolling out a new Strategic Plan in conjunction with FEMA's national Strategic Plan. The goals and objectives for the next four years will be used to assist in aligning CEMA's daily projects and focus to move the agency forward.
 - Community Lifelines – in conjunction with how FEMA is beginning to refer to important factors during a disaster, CEMA will now use Lifelines to paint a clearer picture to the public as to the status of the community after a disaster. This will provide clear communication between officials and citizens.
 - Private and Public partnerships are being reviewed to determine how we can bolster the relationships between them. A seminar is being planned for later in the year to achieve these goals.
 - Training and Exercise Strategic Plan – the plan has recently been updated and provides a listing of future planned exercises.



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- Chatham County Hurricane Conference – annual conference will be held April 16th at the Savannah International Trade and Convention Center

New Business

- Subcommittee Reports
 - No Reports

Presentation

Bob Vazzi, OSHA, presented on OSHA HAZWOPER standards. Training opportunities are listed on the OSHA website. The EPA website is an additional source for HAZMAT training.

Old Business

None

Closing

- Meeting schedule – the March 20, 2019 LEPC meeting will be at The Skidaway Island State Park, Group Shelter at 10 AM.
- Meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.