



**LEPC MEETING MINUTES**  
 September 20, 2017 – 10:00 AM  
 Savannah Civic Center Ballroom



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

Previous Account Balance (04/30/2017)	19,283.96
Interest Accrual	0.70
Deposits	0.00
Disbursements (TEEX Course)	3,100.00
<b>Current Account Balance (06/30/2017)</b>	<b>16,184.66</b>

- V. **General Membership Comments**..... Randall Mathews
- VI. **Old Business**
- VII. **New Business**
  - Subcommittee Reports ..... Randall Mathews/Sub-chairs
    - ❖ Training and Exercise ..... Gregg Close
    - ❖ By-Laws/Steering ..... Tom Dolan
    - ❖ Grants and Finance ..... Dennis Jones
    - ❖ Support and Development ..... Greg Rouse
    - ❖ Outreach ..... Steve Thompson
    - ❖ Emergency Response ..... James Vickers
  - 2017 Meeting Schedule ..... Stephanie Cox
    - ❖ Need a venue for November Meeting (11/15)
  - Presentation ..... Randall Mathews
  - Agency Spotlight..... Randall Mathews
- VIII. **Closing:** ..... Next Meeting, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 10 am  
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**Call to Order**

Randall Mathews called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM on September 20, 2017.

**Roll Call and Introduction of Guests**

Roll call was conducted from the member roster. A total of 13 member agencies were present, therefore there is a quorum.

Guests:

Master Sargent Kristina Pratt, Installation Emergency Manager – 165<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing

**Minutes Review**

July meeting minutes were reviewed by Randall Mathews. No comments were made. Motion made to accept minutes. Motion was seconded. Minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

The treasurer's report for the September meeting was reviewed by the LEPC:

Previous Account Balance (06/30/2017)	16,184.66
Interest Accrual	0.70
Deposits	0.00
Disbursements	0.00
<b>Current Account Balance (08/31/2017)</b>	<b>16,185.36</b>

**Membership Comments**

- OSHA is currently providing compliance assistance and outreach to work activities related to the storm. If anyone is interested in publications regarding after storm work, please see Liz Freeman after the meeting. The compliance system currently offered does not have an end date as to when they will transfer back to normal activities.
- GA Power had a lot of folks out last week working to get power back to Chatham County and the rest of Georgia. Northeast Georgia around Helen was the hardest hit in Georgia.
- Kristin Williams – DPH is working the outreach program (Claims Village) at Home Depot to assist citizens with their needs after the hurricane.



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- Skidaway Island State Park – Holly Holdsworth is no longer the park manager, Sam Cox will be replacing her. Saw no significant storm damage
- Kinder Morgan – performed a full evacuation during Hurricane Irma. Very minor damage was reported, no major flooding or wind damage. The storm did push the construction timeline back some.
- Memorial Health – evacuated roughly 65 patients during Hurricane Irma. There were no major structure issues reported during the storm.
- Glenda Anderson – The Georgia Archives will be hosting the FEMA IPPER Course on Tuesday, September 31<sup>st</sup>. More information will be coming out soon regarding this course. The municipal records were evacuated from Tybee Island additional details regarding the evacuation site and when they were returned have not been released. During Irma, SHER and HERA were in contact with their state and federal counterparts discussing any needs and help that was requested. There are some unknowns regarding some historical sites on Tybee Island. Ft. Pulaski was able to evacuate to lessen the impact to their historical records and equipment. Ft. Pulaski was the hardest hit historical property in Chatham County during Hurricane Irma.
- DPH – ensured that each FMN patient that was evacuated was assisted with reentry. Also visited all restaurants that lost power to make sure they were ready to reopen.
- SOLENIS – evacuated all staff. No damage to the plant.
- CEMA – CEMA lost all communications leading up to the storm due to a County-wide email failure. The decision making was better with more communication. The evacuation process was smooth. FMN and General Populations were evacuated per the plans from different sites. Within the first 4 hours, 1800 people were processed through the EAA. An Individual Assistance Disaster Declaration has been declared for Chatham County. Two disaster recovery centers will be setup for citizens to meet with FEMA and other agencies. Over 90,000 damage assessments were completed within the first 3 days following the storm. Most damage was due to storm surge and was located mainly on Tybee Island near the Lewis Avenue area. More information will be available during the Commission meeting on Friday, September 22, 2017. FEMA is in the area reviewing Public Assistance claims to determine if Public Assistance declarations for work C-G categories is applicable.

**Old Business**

- None



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**Sub-Committee Reports**

- Training and Exercise – Gregg Close – Not present.
  - This position is now vacant
  - Question regarding requirement to perform a tabletop exercise
- Steering/By-Laws Committee – Tom Dolan – Not present.
- Support and Development – Greg Rouse – Not present.
- Grants and Finance – Randall Matthews – Nothing to report
  - Grant funding is being pulled from the LEPCs. These funds will now fund classes at facilities that are free to attend for anyone that has interest in attending. .
- Emergency Response – James Vickers – Not present. Randall Matthews reviewed previous comments to make sure evacuation plans are shared with the fire department to ensure they have awareness of what chemicals / issues may become problematic during a disaster.
- Outreach – Steve Thompson –

**New Business**

- A new member application was submitted by Master Sargent Kristina Pratt for the 165<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing. A Motion was made to accept the application and grant membership. Motion was seconded. Application was approved.
- Damage Assessment for Chatham County was discussed. The new process involving the app and how the teams were able to process so many properties in a short time was explained in detail versus the old way.
- A location for the November meeting is needed. Suggestions were to utilize the group shelter, DFAC conference room, or the Metropolitan Planning Group.
- Skidaway Island State Park has been slotted as a potential location for the next meeting. This will be confirmed and disseminated in the next meeting notice.

**Presentation**

- Working towards utilizing drones to provide aerial photography. Can assist with providing aerial photography to facilities as needed.

**Closing**

- Meeting schedule – the November 15, 2017 LEPC meeting will be at a location to be determined at a later date.
- Meeting adjourned at 10:38 am.

**Chairman** – Randall Matthews, Chatham EMA

**Vice Chairman** – Pete Liakakis, Owner, United Detective Agency

**Treasurer** – Stephanie Cox, Chatham EMA

**Secretary** – Stephanie Cox, Chatham EMA

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