



LEPC MEETING AGENDA
 November 2, 2022 – 10:00 AM
**Savannah Critical
 Workforce Shelter**



- I. **Call to Order and Welcome** Dave Hall
- II. **Roll Call & Introduction of Guest** Mark Adams
- III. **Minutes Review**..... Dave Hall
- IV. **Treasurer’s Report** Mark Adams

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Current Account Balance (11/01/2022)	18,679.47
- V. **General Membership Comments** Dave Hall
- VI. **Old Business**
 - By-Law changes review..... Dave Hall
- VII. **New Business**
 - Subcommittee Reports Dave Hall/Sub-chairs
 - ❖ Training and Exercise Vacant
 - ❖ By-Laws/Steering Tom Dolan
 - Change to open Secretary and Treasury position Mark Adams
 - ❖ Grants and Finance Mark Adams
 - ❖ Support and Development Greg Rouse
 - ❖ Outreach Vacant
 - ❖ Emergency Response James Vickers
 - Nomination Committee for Officer Positions..... Dave Hall
 - Membership Application Dave Hall
 - Agency Spotlight City of Savannah Water Treatment Plant
- VIII. **Closing:** Dave Hall
 Next MeetingFebruary 1, 2023, 10:00 AM at a location TBD



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Call to Order

Dave Hall called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM on November 2, 2022.

Roll Call and Introduction of Guests

Roll call was conducted from the member roster. A total of 11 member agencies were present. A review of member agencies participation was conducted. There were seven agencies that had not attended any of the last six meetings. A vote was held and passed to suspend these agencies pending future involvement. Total member agencies is now twenty-nine therefore a quorum was reached.

Minutes Review

May minute meetings were reviewed by Dave Hall. No comments were made. Motion to approve made by Stephen Stanley and seconded by Johnnie Quiller.

Treasurer’s Report

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

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Treasurer’s report was reviewed by Mark Adams. Motion made to accept the Treasurer’s report by Glenda Anderson and seconded by Johnnie Quiller.

Membership Comments

- Ashland / Solenis – August Tier 2 inspection went well
- BASF –. Ran a tornado drill in conjunction with the statewide test. Personnel reported not hearing the County warning sirens at 0930.
- Chatham County Health Department – still providing COVID services including drive-thru testing at Jimmy Deloach and a Pick-up/Drop-off testing kiosk at the Health Department. Still handing out rapid test kits. Conducted a Functional, Access, and Medical Needs exercise with CEMA in May. They have experienced a large turnover in personnel but were able to fill positions at the EOC during the Hurricane Ian activation. They are conducting monkey pox



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testing and vaccinations for at risk communities and advise that the flu has hit early and hard and that you should get vaccinations now.

- CEMA – Mark discussed the personnel turnover and the Hurricane Ian activation. Mark intends to conduct email and phone call verifications of the contact list to ensure accuracy.
- Memorial Health – Numerous staffing shortages, primarily with nurses. They have conducted DECON and mass casualty drills and put together a lessons learned from the Hurricane Ian activation. Region J executive committee met. They have drills coming up with Hunter and Candler. The Children’s Hospital has been slammed with RSV and Flu and they are excited at the opportunity to collaborate with Savannah Fire to conduct drills and exercises.
- OSHA – All quiet. Conducted recovery operations in Florida in the wake of Hurricane Ian. They have compliance officers that are available and willing to participate in local exercises.
- Rescue Training, Inc. – Shortage of EMT’s and Paramedics which in turn makes it difficult to find qualified instructors. Individuals are making good money with overtime and advertising is down.
- City of Savannah – Have completed 2 of 3 planned exercises with assistance from FEMA. They are in the process of planning the third which will be a Full-scale in 2024.
- Savannah Fire and HAZMAT – Open to conducting joint training opportunities. Wrapping up Tier 2 inspections and deploying updated lists on their vehicles. @ Technicians attended the national Conference in Baltimore. Currently assisting with the search at the landfill. They are busy conducting in house training and would like to work on doing more specialized training with external partners. Contacted industry on the river as part of the Hurricane Ian response and their inquiries were well received.
- GHRAC – Discussed efforts to conduct NCH dashboard updates remotely during Ian, able to achieve a 96% response rate. Participated in the Faith Based Summit and mentioned how good the Hate Crime presentation was. Nora Fleming Lee is the incoming CEO of the Coastal Heritage Society and its six locations. Would like to arrange CEMA’s EOC 100/200 class for NCH personnel.
- Southern States – Also feeling the pinch with employees leaving too open a new plant in Augusta. They are shorthanded here in Savannah but have been conducting safety training and HAWZWOPER.

Old Business

- Discussed the changes to the bylaws and the need to vote to approve at the next meeting. A discussion was held concerning removing the requirement for the Treasurer to be a CEMA staff member as well as removing the requirement to conduct a full-scale exercise to meet grant requirements since we are no longer receiving any grant funding. There was no

Chairman – Dave Hall, Rescue Training, Inc.

Vice Chairman – Vacant

Treasurer – Mark Adams, Chatham EMA

Secretary – Mark Adams, Chatham EMA

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opposition to these changes. Mark will make the changes in the red-lined by-laws and email out to all member agencies to review prior to the next meeting when a vote will be held to approve.

- Chairman Hall brought up the recognition program for the HAZMAT Tech of the year award. Chief Bandy advised they had recently held the awards ceremony for this year. It was agreed that the LEPC would look at some type of recognition for next year.

New Business

- David Donnelly volunteered to Chair the Training and Exercises Committee.
- Chief Bandy volunteered and was nominated to serve as the Vice Chairman.
- Nomination Committee will be accepting nominations to serve on the Executive Committee through the May meeting when a vote will be held. New term begins July 1, 2023
- Discussion was held to include a virtual option for future meetings to improve participation.
- Anyone willing to host an LEPC meeting should contact Mark Adams with the location information and the date offered. The 2023 meeting schedule is:
 - February 1st
 - May 3rd
 - August 2nd
 - November 1st

Closing

- Meeting schedule –February 1, 2023
- Meeting adjourned at 11:40 AM