

DEER PARK LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

AGENDA

OF

A MEETING OF THE DEER PARK LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE TO BE HELD AT JIMMY BURKE ACTIVITY CENTER, 500 WEST 13TH STREET, APRIL 25, 2017 BEGINNING AT 11:00 A.M. TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS:

Introductions

Company Overview — Clean Harbors

Presentation – CenterPoint Energy

Public Comments on LEPC Mission/Function (3 minute time limit)

Minutes – March 28, 2017

Financial Report – March 28, 2017

Committee Reports

Executive Committee

Introduce new Community Awareness Chair

Communications

Review any and all Level 2 and Level 3 incidents

New Tier II Reporting Requirements

Community Awareness

Report: Easter Eggstravaganza

Volunteers needed – Fun Run and Salute to Education

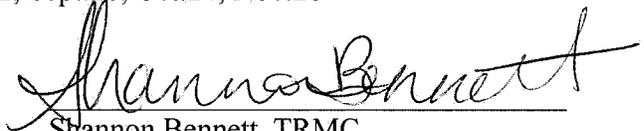
Emergency Response/Transportation

2017 Drill

New Business

Announcements

Meeting Schedule 2017 - May 23, June 27, Aug. 22, Sept.26, Oct.24, Nov.28


Shannon Bennett, TRMC
Deer Park LEPC Secretary/Treasurer

TO: Deer Park CAER/LEPC Team

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SUBJECT: Minutes of April 25, 2017 - Hosted by the City of Deer Park

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman James Stokes called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

No introductions given.

PRESENTATION

Company Overview – Bruce Riffel, Site Manager of Clean Harbors presented the LEPC with an overview of Clean Harbors Deer Park, formerly Rollins Environmental. Started in 1971, Clean Harbors Deer Park sits on approximately 145 acres and currently has approximately 270 employees. It is a fully integrated RCRA/TSCA incineration complex including commercial hazardous waste landfills. Mr. Riffel reviewed why to incinerate as well as presenting a description of the incineration complex. The presentation described the Clean Harbors Emergency Response Team, as well as their onsite safety equipment. (Exhibits A1-A3)

Presentation – Kevin Hare, Service Consultant of CenterPoint Energy gave an overview of CenterPoint's responsibility to restore power in our area during a hurricane. The presentation included what we can do to prepare for a hurricane and the after effects. Tracking the storm with the weather center helps CenterPoint to have teams in areas that will be effected by the storm. Topics that were covered included a timeline of preparation activities, signing up for Power Alert, dealing with downed power lines and CenterPoint's Outage Tracker.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON LEPC MISSION/FUNCTION (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)

There were no comments.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Kevin Rodgers and seconded by Robert Hemminger to accept the minutes for March 28, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Motion was made by Robert Hemminger and seconded by Christina Perez to accept the financial reports for March 28, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Jay Stokes, Executive Committee Chairman, stated:

Introduction of new Community Awareness Chair – “We have a new Community Awareness Chair, Christina Perez of Texas Molecular. She has hit the ground running and we thank Norma for her past service and of course, Sandi Watkins who helped for many years prior to her retirement. We look forward to many, many years of Christina serving us in that capacity.”

Robert Hemminger, Communications Subcommittee Chair, reported:

Review of Level 2 and Level 3 Incidents – “On March 29th and on April 18th in Patrick’s Bayou, Shell had two oil sheens which I think were storm water run-offs.”

Roy Hernandez of Akzo Nobel reported, “On April 7th, at 1:10 p.m., we had a fire in one of our laboratories with two responders there, but they were unable to get the fire extinguisher off the hook to put it out. The fire alarms sounded to evacuate the building. We didn’t get E-Notify out until nineteen minutes later, since we do it from the laboratory and the laboratory had to be evacuated. We went to another area where E-Notify was located. It went out as a Level 3, I had asked for a Level 2 due to a small fire. We had responders come in from our ER Team and they were able to put it out successfully. One of our neighbors called CIMA Fire Department and they showed up. Communication was not very good that day because of it being Friday, people in charge, including our Safety Manger were off that day. Phones were ringing at their desks and not their cells. In regards to communication, we have a lot of things we need to work on. The incident lasted about thirty minutes.”

Justin Cox of Oxy Vinyls stated, “It was a training exercise gone wrong. We were offsite and a small chlorine release happened. It took us approximately five minutes to resolve the problem.”

Robert Hemminger commented, “Just last week we had an incident that we put in from our Emergency Management Office. ITC was doing some leak detection with a dye that was in water, an innocuous discharge into a ditch line. A passing motorist saw the dye in the ditch line and thought it was a hazardous material then called 9-1-1. Dispatch was unaware of it and sent the Fire Department out. It was a good opportunity for ITC to report it as a Level 1 incident. The dispatchers are now aware and can relay to those that call in that they are aware of the issue.”

ITC advised that they are in the process of hiring a new Environmental Manager and this incident slipped through the cracks.

Dan Heiken of Emerge Systems gave an overview of a couple of changes that are forthcoming in the E-Notify System.

New Tier II Reporting Requirements: Jay Stokes, Chair advised that there are new Tier II requirements beginning January 2018.

Christina Perez, Community Awareness Subcommittee, reported:

Report of Easter Eggstravaganza: “Last month we participated in the Easter Eggstravaganza for the first time ever. It was very successful. The PALS program through the school was Wally and the handler. We were missing volunteers from this group and we only needed two.”

Volunteers Needed - “We have two more opportunities for you to help us and that is this Saturday at the Shell Fun Run and in August at the Salute to Education. There is a sign-up sheet being passed around.”

Emergency Response/Transportation, Jay Stokes reported for Ray Cook:

2017 Drill – “Just a reminder, the Statewide Drill is coming up.”

NEW BUSINESS

Jay Stokes commented regarding the cancellation of the FEMA Conference due to the lack of funding.

NEXT MEETING

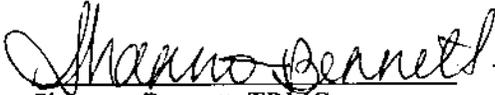
Jay Sokes informed everyone that Nim Kidd would not be present at the May 23rd joint meeting of Pasadena, La Porte and Deer Park, but his assistant would be present along with Dan Reilly with the Weather Service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

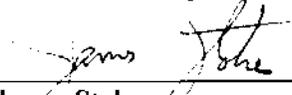
Robert Hemminger advised that the June 21st EPA Workshop has been cancelled.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

ATTEST:


Shannon Bennett, TRMC
Secretary/Treasurer

APPROVED:


James Stokes
Chairman

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