

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Communications & Technology Building

1024 S. 9th St., Manitowoc, WI

March 13, 2019

Attendance: Karl Puestow – Manitowoc Police Department, Travis Waack – Manitowoc County Emergency Services Department, Gary Shavlik – Manitowoc County Hazardous Materials Team, Kurt Duzeski – Northern Labs, Robert Wenger – Red Cross, Jerry Wendt – Manitowoc Ice, Mary Halada – Manitowoc County Health Department, Deb Holschbach – Holy Family, Paul Tittl – State Representative, Dave Murack – Two Rivers Fire Department, Jamie Aulik – City of Kiel, Randy Vogel – County Board, Todd Bergman – Valders Journal, Chad Bennin – Lakeside Foods

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Shavlik at 9:02 a.m.

Minutes of September 12, 2018, Committee Meeting: Corrections needed to add Deb and Amy Johns to attendance for September 12, 2018. Mr. Aulik moved to approve as corrected the minutes of the September 12, 2018 meeting, seconded by Mr. Vogel. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: No one present wished to speak, therefore public input was closed at 9:04 a.m.

Report on Facility Plans from First Half of 2019: Mr. Waack advised that, in the last half of 2018, the following facility plans were updated: Jagemann Plating, Manitowoc Company, Manitowoc Ice, Tramontina, Skana, and Parker Hannifin. In the first half of 2019, the following plans will be updated: all three Kiel wells, Kiel Wastewater Treatment Plant, and Sargento. A new plan for Orion will be created.

Update on HazMat Responses: Mr. Waack advised that three responses took place since the last meeting: a liquid asphalt spill from a semi-tanker rollover, a post-methamphetamine laboratory decontamination, and a soybean oil leak from a train car. The Hazardous Materials Response (HazMat) team provided assistance to Silver Creek Fire Department and Manitowoc County Highway Department for the liquid asphalt spill, decontamination services to the State methamphetamine response team and air quality monitoring, and best practices information regarding containment to the soybean oil spiller.

A discussion followed regarding reimbursement responsibility for the HazMat team's response efforts on the methamphetamine call. At this time, the Manitowoc County Code does not allow for billing a landlord as a spiller. Mr. Waack has explored multiple avenues for reimbursement including with Wisconsin Department of Justice and the City of Manitowoc Police Department. Mr. Tittl stated he would look into the Wisconsin State Code for clarification on state laws and would advocate for change if necessary.

Update on HazMat Team: Chairman Shavlik discussed the classes and training taken at the Wisconsin Association of Hazardous Materials Responders conference with HazMat Team Coordinator Tim Herzog.

Update on Emergency Management Office Operations: Mr. Waack advised since last meeting, Manitowoc County experienced straight line wind damage in the City of Manitowoc and straight line wind and tornado damage in the City of Kiel. In addition, during the polar vortex of January 2019, the cities of Manitowoc and Two Rivers opened warming shelter locations with County assistance.

Administratively, the Emergency Operations Plan received significant revisions, especially in terms of the nuclear power plant response procedures. Mr. Waack also discussed social media outreach and conference attendance.

Regarding exercises in the County, Mr. Waack spoke of a HazMat drill, an active shooter drill, MABAS workshops, a tornado response exercise, and upcoming damage assessment and storm spotter classes.

Adjournment: Representative Tittl moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Aulik, and the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Travis Waack". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "T" and "W".

Travis Waack
Director
Manitowoc County Emergency Services Division