

TOWN OF OCEAN CITY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
Coordinated through Ocean City Department of Emergency Services
Wastewater Training Room
Ocean City, Maryland 21842
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LEPC Meeting Minutes – October 25, 2012

Attendees:

Bob Rhode	OC Emergency Services
Carol Boyles	OC Emergency Services
Jack Hastings	OCFD
Sylvester Dale	OC Public Works/Water
James Baker	OC Public Works/Wastewater
Wayne Pryor	OC Grants Manager
Robyn TyTomi-Dalton	Worcester Co Health Dept
Ed Berger	AGH
Ed Werkheiser	MEMA
Linda Herzberg	Montego Bay
Joshua Marzi	USCG

The meeting was held at the Wastewater Training Room and opened by Bob Rhode at 1:15 pm. Introductions were made by those persons in attendance. The minutes from the July 26, 2012 meeting were approved and will be posted on the Town's website.

An update was given on the approaching storm, Hurricane Sandy. Models project landfall somewhere between Virginia Beach and New York City. High tides are expected Sunday – Tuesday.

Old Business:

- The Town's new Comprehensive Emergency Operations Plan draft has been completed and is going through reviews by Departments for presentation to the Mayor and Council for acceptance. Prior EOP is still in effect.
- Friday 10 August 2012 Preparedness Night at Shorebirds Stadium with the Lower Eastern Shore Counties Emergency Management and Health Departments went well with great public contact and good feedback.
- Continuity of Operations (COOP) exercises were conducted for the Town of Ocean City with four (4-hours) sessions on Tuesday 28 August and Wednesday 29 August, 2012 by University of Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute. A total of 84 personnel attended.
- Community Preparedness Day Saturday 6 October 2012 at Home Depot/Wal Mart in Berlin from 0900 – 1200 hours. Thanks to Bob Nelson, Planning and Development, and OC CERT Volunteers for attending.
- LEPC budgeted grant funds used for Bob Rhode and David Warren (Wastewater) to attend EPA Region 3 conference in Baltimore in September 2012

New Business:

- The Worcester County LEPC meeting was held Thursday 25 October 2012. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 24 January 2013.
- Next meeting scheduled for Ocean City LEPC will be on Thursday 24 January 2013 at 1300 hours in the 2nd Floor Training Room of the Public Safety Building. The guest speaker and topic to be announced.

- Hazard Vulnerability Analysis questionnaire was distributed by Health Dept Representative. This relates to a survey through Drexel University.

Training and Program Updates:

- Hazardous Materials Technician Refresher Class has been scheduled with Maryland Fire and Rescue for Ocean City Tuesday 27 November 2012.

Reports:

- No reportable spill responses in the last quarter.
- Open case on 52nd Street since October 2003 has been closed by the Maryland Department of the Environment.

Open Forum: None

Presentation: Town of Ocean City Facilities that operate with Hazardous Materials. A slide presentation was provided, with some of the following comments discussed:

- There are 3 water treatment facilities and 1 wastewater facility in the Town. There is 150 miles of sewers and 24 wells.
- OSHA regulations require refresher training in order to protect employees.
- There are specific EPA requirement for the facilities. Violations can lead to fines being levied on the Town.
- Maryland COMAR – Haz Mat Security Act, plan is submitted to the State.
- There are general facility requirements and annual training, some in connection with the Fire Marshal's office.
- Storage of hazardous materials is secure.

Closing:

- Thanks to all for their attendance.
- As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:28 pm.

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