

## LEPC Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2019

12:00 pm Walters State Community College – Foundation Room

The meeting was called to order by LEPC Vice Nathan Antrican. The invocation was led by Paul Freitag. The pledge of allegiance was led by Kenny Hinkle.

Director Bell introduced the tabletop exercise: a mass casualty incident at the Arconic facility. He went over the goals of the exercise- 1. To evaluate preparedness in the response to a mass casualty event exercising the plans of local emergency, industry, businesses and other entities. 2. To increase understanding and preparedness for response to public emergencies that will affect our community, the medical entities, response agencies and their affiliates. 3. Train through a Table Top exercise to reveal deficiencies in the plans or response capabilities.

He went through the rules of the exercise, including to treat the exercise as if the incident were happening at the individual's facility. The purpose is to ensure that each individual/company's emergency plans are as updated as possible and any issues can be resolved prior to an actual emergency. He explained the policy that states, "29 CFR 1910 requires that all facilities have an emergency preparedness and response plan." Each plan must have appropriate sections for the risks and hazards associate with your site(s)."

Director Bell then went over the scenario: Time is 10:10am today. Current weather.

At Arconic in Morristown Airport Industrial Park, a large construction project is ongoing with an addition/buildout to add space for a new line and its equipment. The block walls have been laid, but not filled and the roofing beams are in place. While finishing some metal I-beams a squirt-boom collides with the block wall, collapsing the wall and portions of the roof. Multiple sub-labor workers, some construction company supervisors, and Arconic representatives were in the area of construction when the walls and roofing collapsed. Initial information from dispatch is that lots of block, twisted metal is down. Unknown numbers of people, but several hurt badly and others they think are trapped. (\*\*Social media has been very active and has several videos and posts about the incident.)

Tables then discussed their plans and discussions were had about what to do, what were the next steps, etc. Injects were added as time passed in the discussion to add other issues, needs, and to show how other entities (law enforcement, first responders) would come into play in the scenario.

Once the tabletop was over, vice chairperson Chrissy Hicks gave an update on the status of the LEPC's 501c3 status, which was waiting for the paperwork with the bank to be completed so that a credit card could be issued. SI Group was also recognized for their donation to help with the 1023-ez form application fee.

Stop the Bleed training was announced for April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.

New members were introduced.

Chrissy acknowledged Good Ole Days for the meal and announced the next meeting will be July 9<sup>th</sup>.

She ended the meeting with a quote: "Since it is so likely that (children) will meet cruel enemies, let them at least have heard of brave knights and heroic courage. Otherwise you are making their destiny not brighter but darker." – C.S. Lewis

The meeting was adjourned.

The Morristown LEPC would like to thank Good Ole Days for providing lunch!

**Our next scheduled meeting is July 9, 2019**

***Invite a friend!***