

**Darke County LEPC Minutes  
March 18, 2008**

This meeting of the Board Members of the Darke County LEPC was called to order at The Greenville Township Rescue Building at 10:04 am by Chairman Mike Rhoades. Mindy Saylor took roll call. The minutes of September 18, 2007 meeting were presented for review. Jim Schaar made a motion to accept the minutes, Pam Garland 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor, motion passed, minutes accepted.

**Treasurer's report:**

- In the absence of Treasurer Mark Wolf, Mindy Saylor presented this report. Balance as of December 31, 2007 was \$67,906.10 with YTD expenses of \$30,119.61 and receipts are \$57,082.50. As of February 29, 2008 the balance was \$63,622.75 with YTD expenses of \$4,283.35. Each member was given a detailed print out of the LEPC fund. Tim Gade made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, Jim Schaar 2<sup>nd</sup> that motion, all in favor, motion passed, and Treasurer's report accepted.

**Coordinator's report:**

- HazMat training attached
- The LEPC Plan has been concurred with by the State of Ohio

**Melody's Report:**

- There are 2 facilities that have not filed but are out of business
- 105 SERC reports received to date, 5 are first time filers, leaving 38 to file
- Will be working on facility inspections
- FY07 Citizen Corps award has been received in the amount of \$7000
- Melody gave an overview on training she has attended and provided

**Old Business:**

- The construction of the new EMA facility is complete! An open house has been scheduled for 4/9/08 from 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm.
- ICS 300 & 400 training was hosted in January with a good turnout.
- The annual 5% to the Darke County Fire Association is \$1,000

**New Business:**

- The HMEP training grant was received in the amount of \$400.88
- The HMEP planning grant supplement was received in the amount of \$12,070.35
- The ice storm on 3/4-3/5 in Darke County caused quite a problem for homeowners, downing trees and large limbs. The Ohio Southern Baptist Disaster Group Chain Saw Division was requested to come and assist in the clean up. They arrived on 3/13/08 and worked through 3/17/08 completing about 70 properties. We have received very positive comments from the residents that were assisted. Over 100 requests were received and the remaining 30 will be visited by the CERT volunteers along with Juvenile Court Community Service workers in the very near future.
- During the snow storm on 3/7-3/9 EMA assisted Wayne Hospital in transporting employees (15) to work.

**Members Comments:**

- Jim Schaar, The Solid Waste Department has scheduled its Electronics Recycling Day for May 21, 2008. He strongly recommends that everyone get registered early. The Solid Waste offices have relocated to the Government Center on Wagner Avenue. Melody Lucas inquired about a household hazardous waste recycling event and offered to assist with the regulations and paperwork.
- Susan Weisenbarger, Wayne Hospital, was present at the Safety Council meeting in which Melody spoke of the Sara Title III Reporting requirements and said that she did an excellent job of explaining the program and as a result the hospital received a HazMat Plan from a facility they

had not previously had. The groundbreaking for the construction will be held on 4/24/08. The first phase calls for the front entrance to be relocated to the Central Avenue side of the building. The city will put a cross walk in, as the current employee parking lot across the street will become visitor parking. They also will be changing the intersection of Central and Martz to a three-way stop along with restricting parking in the area.

- Dennis Butts, Greenville Police Department thanked EMA (June Mong) for the involvement in the Tri-County CART (Child Abduction Response Team) which includes Darke, Miami and Shelby counties.
- Sherry Baker, RSVP said she has 92 volunteers located in 50 sites in the county. They serve non-profit organizations.
- Gailen Wilson, ODOT said during the inclement weather, the snow emergency levels really helped them in getting out and treating the roads.
- Tim Gade, Gades Nursing home lost power in the ice storm and is frustrated that DP&L are unable to provide a time line for power to be restored. They also found that during the outage contacting employees became a problem with about 60% having digital phones that do not work in power outages. Nursing home administrators continue to meet.
- Bob Dietrich, Midmark is still seeing good business with steady work. They are preparing for their severe weather drill.
- Cheryl Batten, The Greenville BASF Plant is celebrating 27 injury free months. Production is a little down.
- Gene Shuret said business at FPE is good. From a production side they find the Level 3 snow emergencies hard to deal with. Suggested maybe more consistency is needed on when to issue.
- Roger VanFrank – The park district was without power until Friday from the storms. They are looking at burying the power lines. Commended the Solid Waste Group for their battery recycling program.
- Steve Wenning, Greenville Township Rescue was also without power but they do have a generator. The only issue they had was heating the bays. They do offer CPR training the first Saturday of each month and they also have 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Training available.
- Pam Garland, The Greenville Transit did close during the level 3. However, before doing so they check with clients to make sure they will not be stranded.
- Heather Garbig, The Andersons Ethanol plant never lost power during the storms. They are partially shut down to deal with some repairs which isn't uncommon with construction.
- Tal Mong, Darke County HazMat – an Exercise is scheduled for 5/17/08 with the HazMat team and Greenville Fire Department. A location is not yet confirmed. In August or September they will be running a Mass Decontamination drill to test the capabilities and see how many people can be ran through and at what rate. They are working with the Regional HazMat Grant to get equipment that brings them to a level 3 HazMat Team. Working with this region allows the use of Dayton Regional HazMat team as a mutual aid partner.
- Leroy Murphy – Whirlpool's business is good. Warehouse construction is set to begin soon and should be completed in January 2009. They are currently evaluating their severe weather plans.

Meeting adjourned.

## 2008 Meeting Dates

June 17

September 16

December 16

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**Mindy Saylor**