

**Darke County LEPC Minutes  
June 17, 2008**

This meeting of the Board Members of the Darke County LEPC was called to order at the new offices of Darke County Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management at 10:02 am by Chairman Mike Rhoades. Mindy Saylor took roll call. The minutes of March 18, 2008 meeting were presented for review. Jim Schaar made a motion to accept the minutes, Bob Dietrich 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor, motion passed, minutes accepted.

**Treasurer's report:**

- Treasurer Mark Wolf presented this report. Balance as of May 31, 2008 was \$49,980.48 with YTD expenses of \$17,925.62. Each member was given a detailed print out of the LEPC fund. Roger Van Frank made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, Steve Wenning 2<sup>nd</sup> that motion, all in favor, motion passed, and Treasurer's report accepted.

**Coordinator's report:**

- HazMat training attached

**Melody's Report:**

- 111 SERC reports received to date, 7 are first time filers, leaving 23 to file
- Will be working on facility inspections
- FY07 Citizen Corps budget award has been approved in the amount of \$7000
- Melody gave an overview on training she has attended and provided

**Old Business:**

- The EMA and LEPC offices have moved into the new facility.
- The HazMat Exercise on 5/17/08 went very well. Things started out at the county EOC and then moved to the Anderson's Ethanol Plant. Feedback from county firefighters has been very positive. Ohio EMA has concurred with the exercise and it will be presented to SERC (State Emergency Response Commission) in August.

**New Business:**

- Midmark donated cabinetry for the county communications room. June Mong thanked Bob Dietrich for his help in getting that complete.

**Members Comments:**

- Mark Wolf, Thanked Jim Crawford and the Anderson's for the opportunity and assistance in the HazMat exercise. Additional training is being planned with the HazMat Team on foam/flammable liquids at the Ohio Fire Academy. The Anderson's donated some foam for this.
- Roger Van Frank, Turkey foot Preserve is now open. It is 63 acres and work continues to increase the easement. Bike trails continue to be a focus. The goal is to connect Bradford to Greenville.
- Terry Holman, Health Department is busy with some new employees.
- Lynne Gump, The Darke County Chapter of the American Red Cross has 2 volunteers currently working in Indiana with additional waiting to be called. There is still a need for 68 mental health professionals. Still looking for a home for their disaster trailer. A wilderness first aid class will begin in the fall. It is a 24 hour course.
- Jim Crawford, The US EPA has issued a statement on response issues with Ethanol and bio Diesel.
- Bob Dietrich, Midmark is recertifying about 50 employees for their first aid team. Business is good.
- Leroy Murphy, construction is under way at Whirlpool. They are providing CPR training to employees.
- Gene Shuret, FPE has 655 injury free loss time hours and 75 reportable hours which is good. They are hiring and also doing CPR training.

- Tammy Beanblossom, The entrance to Wayne Hospital has been moved. The estimated completion for the new construction is 2009 and the entire project by 2010.
- Steve Wenning, Greenville Area Rescue is preparing for all the fairs and festivals of the season. Also, Labor Day weekend brings in the largest Cross Country event in the state.
- Tal Mong, Agreed that the HazMat exercise was very good. Pitsburg Fire Dept hosted a series of Trench Rescue courses. The possibility that Darke County may have a trailer staged here.
- Dave Richardson is the Plant Manager of AEP Greenville Station.
- Heather Garbig, She has received emails from Anderson Corp stating they were very happy with the HazMat Exercise. They are preparing for their stack testing (emissions)
- Scott Brewer – ODOT received several projects in Darke County.
- Jim Crawford, The Solid Waste hosted an Electronics Recycling and collected 180,000 pounds, taking 7 semis to haul it away. Also a community shred day and highway clean-up project was hosted. 3,000 pounds of paper was collected and shredded. The office is looking to host the electronics and tire recycling annually. They are also working on a household waste recycling day.
- Mike Rhoades, The new courts project is moving forward. The FAA Grant that has recently been reported on is actually money that the county has been spending. Some Government offices will be moving out to the Government Center since Aaron's has vacated. The Commissioner's plan to pour a cement pad at the Sheriff's Office which later could be used as a foundation for a storage building.

Meeting adjourned.

2008 Meeting Dates

September 16

December 16

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**June Mong**

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**Mindy Saylor**