



Grant County LEPC

Local Emergency Planning Committee

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EPHRATA CHAPTER

Members in Attendance:

Ephrata Fire Department
Jeremy Burns

Ephrata Police Department
Mike Warren

City of Ephrata
Wes Crago

Columbia Basin Hospital
Gail Michael

BNSF
Ed Haller

Grant Co Health Dist
Jon Ness

Grant County Emergency Management
Sandi Duffey
Michael Shannon

The Ephrata Chapter of the Grant County LEPC held their monthly meeting at the Ephrata Fire Hall located on A Street in Ephrata at 2:00 pm on September 8, 2010.

I. Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Jeremy and introductions were made.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by Wes to accept the minutes as written, motion was seconded by Jon, motion passed.

III. Hazardous Materials Spills

August 26~reporting party stated that Faragano Wrecking Yard in Quincy is not properly draining the fluids out of the car resulting in all fluids being dumped onto the ground.

September 7~Conagra Foods reported a release of an unknown amount of anhydrous ammonia from a low pressure site of the refrigeration system, cause is under investigation

IV. Old Business

Jeremy had been promoting Business Continuity Planning, 72-Hour Kits, Shelter-In-Place, and the Ready.gov web site at businesses in Ephrata to encourage the business community to become better prepared should a disaster occur.

V. New Business

National 'Take Back Day', Saturday, September 25th the Ephrata Police Department will be accepting prescription drugs from 10a-2p. This program is designed for safe disposal of prescription drugs.

Bomb Threat at Courthouse, the courthouse evacuated their buildings which

Was not the best course of action, all offices should have locked down. The Incident Command Post and command frequency was not identified. Due to jurisdiction and offices involved a unified command should have been the action taken. The county is working on a lockdown exercise to be completed by the end of the year.

VI. Future Agenda Items

Winter Preparedness Information
Table Top Exercise building on Business Continuity

Next meeting:
At Ephrata City Hall on
November 10, 2010, 2:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Sandi Duffey
Grant County LEPC Secretary

