



Grant County LEPC

Local Emergency Planning Committee

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EPHRATA CHAPTER

Members in Attendance:

Ephrata Fire Department

Jeremy Burns

Grant County Health Dist

Todd Phillips

Ephrata Police Department

Mike Warren

BNSF

Ed Haller

Grant County Emergency Management

Sandi Duffey

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 November 9, 2011.

I. Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Mike, introductions were not needed.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes were reviewed, Mike made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Ed, motion passed.

III. Hazardous Materials Spills

No new reports

IV. Old Business

Exercise, the 2011 exercise is completed and the AAR was submitted to the State. The State has given it's approval and providing Grant County along with the participating agencies credit for exercise participation. Building upon the 2011 exercise Mike and Jeremy would like to have another exercise in 2012. Coordination of this exercise will begin after the City has completed their 2012 budgeting.

The 2011 Preparedness Fair had much more participation this year than last year. The All County LEPC participation was low, however, the interest in hosting another All County LEPC with Industry information would be of interest. Sandi will survey the other LEPC Chapters and see if they are interested as well.

V. New Business

Mike and Jeremy have discussed their policy/procedures as to 'Who is in Charge' upon arrival of a hazardous materials scene. Clear understanding is

important during a response.

Over the past two Ephrata Chapter meetings it has been discussed that the meetings be held monthly. It was decided that this would be of benefit for the continuity of the group as well as the ability to work towards the 2012 exercise.

Naturesorb is a product that was viewed during the annual Washington State Emergency Management Association (WSEMA) conference. The product is a freeze dried peat moss that is used in the absorption of petroleum spills. The products is safe enough that disposal of the used product is not considered as disposal of hazardous materials.

VI. Future Agenda Items

Len Roc presentation?

Next meeting:

Ephrata City Hall
December 14, 2011 at 2:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Sandi Duffey
Grant County LEPC Secretary



Happy Thanksgiving!!