



Juneau County Emergency Management

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LEPC MEETING MINUTES September 27, 2023

**Location: Juneau County Services Bldg.
200 Hickory St
Mauston, WI 53948**

Meeting called to order by: Chairperson James Newlun at 8:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Jeremy Bonikowske
Steven Thomas
Corbin Czynscon
Mary Crowley
Darryl Landeau
James Newlun
Zac Board
Kathy Niles

Virtual: Melissa Gillaume-Cappaert
Joe Eichten
Tony Houdyshell
Burlie Williams

Discussion/Review of Hazard Mitigation Plan

Darryl Landeau of North Central WI Regional Planning Commission was present to give a progress update on the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Discussed risk assessments, and handouts were distributed. Very good response from townships for surveys. Key issues included flooding, beaver dams, potential for dam failure. Other issues included high winds, heavy snow/ice causing trees to come down and power outages. Projects include clearing trees causing road blockage, issues with water drainage. Potential need for emergency shelters in several townships.

Cities and villages are required to have their own plan. Darryl will meet with them individually. Has already met with Elroy. Main concern for Elroy is flooding with river running through the city. Wind, tornados, snow and ice are concerns as well. Looking at the county for better emergency response. Meeting scheduled with Necedah tomorrow and Mauston next week.

Discussed ranking of All Hazard Mitigation Plan Risk Assessment Matrix Evaluation 2023. Will move Tornado and Pandemic up on the list.

Minutes of June 29, 2023 LEPC Meeting

Motion made by Mary Crowley, seconded by Jeremy Bonikowske to approve June 29, 2023 LEPC Meeting minutes. Motion carried.

LEPC Reports

Updates from Facilities - No facilities present, no updates to report.



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Reports for Discussion/Possible Action on Items below:

A. Upcoming Trainings - Jeremy

WEM has free trainings that happen across the state. Rail 101 training is tomorrow in Madison at the WEM Headquarters. Will be discussing how to contact someone in the case of an emergency and how to work with Rail.

B. Public Preparedness Report – Mary Crowley

Health Department in the process of getting grant funding for development of Medical Reserve Corps. Potential uses for MRC is reunification of schools after traumatic event, rapid response overnight shelter staffing, vulnerable population telephone welfare checks. Shane Gessler in charge of this project.

School Student/Family Reunification Support. Exercise this summer reinforced the need for school to have assistance with positive reunification process to support the healing process and return to school. Based on "I Love U Guys" school response program.

Stop The Bleed Education. All Services Building staff has had the opportunity to train. Three Stop The Bleed stations available in the Services Building. Each station has 8 kits. Will be training Highway Department second week in October. Goal is to get all County Departments trained.

Vulnerable Population Work Group. Every township/village have people enrolled.

Respiratory Health Supplies Distribution. Distribution points in every community of Juneau County, COVID test kits and hand sanitizer.

Public Preparedness Committee focusing on Responder Safety and Health. Common need of respiratory fit testin. Next month looking to use software program for responder health management, free through CDC.

C. DNR Spills/Fire Report – Melissa Gillaume-Cappaert/Corbin Czynson

Melissa – Rain will help the long-lasting fire season. IMT meeting in Mauston to do a training/refresher for IMT staff.

Corbin – 66 fires this year for a little over 27 acres. Hoping for a reprieve with the rain. Down 13 inches of rain at this time. Working on getting GIS contractor to work on updates for county zone books. Reaching out to companies for qualified builder.

Jeremy – Four spills.

- Assisted Columbia County with recycling fire.
- Manure truck lost all diesel on County Rd G. Had a company come out and clean it up.
- Rollover yesterday with diesel spill on interstate near mile marker 52 westbound.
- Small diesel spill at Speedway in Mauston, sodium hydrochloride solution, 55 gal tank in the back of trailer. Pallet broke and punctured bottom of the drum. Company out of Eau Claire came to clean up.
- Truck hit a brake caliper of a semi in front of him and punctured his diesel tank on Hwy 173.
- An individual changed their oil in the parking lot at Shockwave in Lyndon Station. Dumped the oil into the dumpster.



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D. Hazmat Team Report – Jeremy

Met with Adams County last night. Hazmat Education in June. There seems to be interest, but need to work on training. There are some in Juneau County also interested. Working with Joe, Tony, and Ken with Hazmat. Slow process but working on recruitment. Hazmat trailer is being maintained.

E. Volk Field Report

Volk Field not present. Jeremy stated he believes they have one more exercise this year. Volk Field Fire Department going through upgrade, rebuilding station.

F. County-wide Railroad Reports

Joe/UP: WEM training yesterday. Otherwise, nothing new to report.

Tony/CP: Nothing new. No incidents to report in Juneau County.

G. Sheriff's Office

Zac Board – Nothing to report

H. Red Cross

Burlie Williams – Nothing much to report. Busy season with deployment.

I. Next Meeting

Next Meeting – December 2023 – Date TBD

Adjourn

Motion by Jeremy Bonikowske, seconded by Corbin Czynscon to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Niles