



# Juneau County Emergency Management

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## LEPC MEETING MINUTES December 21, 2023

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

**Meeting called to order by:** Jeremy Bonikowske at 8:36 a.m.

**ROLL CALL: Present:** Jeremy Bonikowske  
Mary Crowley  
Corbin Czyscon  
Chris Leopold  
Kathy Niles

**Virtual:** Melissa Gillaume-Cappaert  
Jeremy Gilbert  
Burlie Williams

### Discussion/Review of Hazard Mitigation Plan

Darryl Landeau of North Central WI Regional Planning Commission unable to attend. Will postpone discussion until next meeting in March. Progress is being made. After plan is in place, will be able to apply for FEMA activities/projects.

### Minutes of June 29, 2023 LEPC Meeting

Motion made by Corbin Czyscon, seconded by Mary Crowley to approve September 27, 2023 LEPC Meeting minutes. Motion carried.

### LEPC Reports

#### Updates from Facilities

- Jeremy Gilbert/Purina, Union Center – No updates
- Merricks in Wonewoc shut down. Moved operations elsewhere in the state.

#### Reports for Discussion/Possible Action on Items below:

##### A. Upcoming Trainings – Jeremy

- Jeremy handed out survey for Integrated Preparedness Plan. Discussion ensued. This is a fluid plan over the next 3 years.
- Myron, Medical Examiner, is having a mass preparedness course at The Lodge.
- Hazardous weather course
- Crisis training at the school
- Hazardous materials course
- Municipal exercise and facilities exercise
- 2026 – Year of recovery

##### B. Volk Field Report – Not Present



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## **C. Red Cross – Burlie Williams**

Working to make sure disaster action team is ready to go. Have most fires this time of year, so making sure there are strong teams across the chapter. Starting to get updated facility agreements as far as shelters across the chapter.

## **D. Public Preparedness Report – Mary Crowley**

Health Department in winter respiratory illness response. Community Partners give general public access to Covid test kits, masks, and hand sanitizer.

As far as preparedness training, focusing on Stop The Bleed. Have trained Health Dept, DHS, ADRC, and Highway Dept. Next will focus on the Justice Center.

In the process of developing a Medical Reserve Corps. Applied for ASPR grant at state level which was awarded. Have met criteria and will go forward with recruitment.

JCPPP 2023 – Focusing on responder safety and health issues. Need for fit testing equipment.

## **E. DNR Spills/Fire Report – Melissa Gillaume-Cappaert/Corbin Czyncon**

Melissa – No new updates.

Corbin – Still in drought status, moderate to severe. Forestry side – people are able to work in swampy areas. Still having fires as of yesterday. For the year, 374 fires, 136 acres. Spring fire season will begin in February. Juneau County structure zone books are in the works. First draft mid February. Goal for final draft, finished and printed, in March.

## **F. Hazmat Team Report – Jeremy**

Informational meeting with Chris, Damion, and Lyndon Fire. Hard to establish team until there is more support. Trying to get an ops class and need to work with REACT to get that established. At this time would contact Vernon County or Portage if need a quick response. Have suits on hand which are still good.

## **G. Volk Field Report**

Volk Field not present. Jeremy met with them two weeks ago. Having an aircraft tabletop exercise in January. New fire station is being built. Currently stationed in an old barracks. Trying to build a better Juneau County and Volk Field relationship.

## **H. County-wide Railroad Reports**

No one present. Looking to get Amtrak training in the county as they are starting with 4 trains a day starting in January. Exercise in Portage for Transcare event possibly.

## **I. Next Meeting**

Next Meeting – March 28, 2024

## **Adjourn**

Motion by Jeremy Bonikowske, seconded by Corbin Czyncon to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Niles