

**LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE
MASON COUNTY, MICHIGAN
MEETING MINUTES
August 16, 2016**

Emergency Management Coordinator Liz Reimink called the LEPC meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the lower level conference room of the Mason County Sheriff Department. Committee members in attendance were: Liz Reimink, Fabian Knizacky, Ray Hasil, Jim Herrema, Mark Barnett, Wayne Schoonover, Jeffrey Weber, Richard Dunnill, Tom Routhier, Karen Ripke, and Patti Klevorn.

Motion by Patti Klevorn and seconded by Karen Ripke to approve the agenda for the August 16, 2016 meeting and the minutes from the May 17, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

LEPC Notifications/Correspondence Received: None reported.

Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning (HMEP) Grant Project Update: Contractor Meredith Filter reported that 17 SARA Title III Off Site Emergency Plans were updated along with adding parks, churches, and campground locations to the vulnerability zone maps.

Hazard Mitigation Plan Update: The Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved by FEMA, the Mason County Board of Commissioners, and all townships, cities and villages in Mason County. The entire plan is available on the Mason County web page under the Emergency Management tab (<http://www.masoncounty.net/departments/emergency-management/hazard-mitigation-plan.html>). L. Reimink asked members to please record any progress made on the list of action items from the plan. This action information is reported quarterly in the Emergency Management Performance Grant quarterly report and will also assist with the plan revision in 5 years.

Annual Public Health Emergency Preparedness Update: Karen Ripke updated the committee on the public health emergency preparedness plan.

Upcoming Dates & Events: The annual Mason County exercise is scheduled for September 9th and 10th. This will be a search and rescue exercise.

Agency Updates: The various agency representatives updated the committee on their recent activities.

Mason-Oceana 911: Mason-Oceana Director Ray Hasil stated he was looking into attending an exercise design class on August 24th and 25th.

District Health Department #10: Karen Ripke stated that there have been a few confirmed cases of rabies in animals, flu vaccines are now available, and updated the committee on the Zika virus situation.

Mason-Lake Conservation District: Administrator/MAEAP Technician Jordan Devries updated the committee on MAEAP (Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program) and spoke about the Michigan Emergency Tube Program for farmers.

Life EMS: Jim Herrema stated that the last staff meeting for Life EMS included a table top type active shooter scenario.

American Red Cross: The Red Cross has moved to the Grace Episcopal Church and will move to the Resource Center when completed. The Red Cross will hold shelter training on September 24th.

Spectrum Hospital Ludington: Spectrum Hospital is working on their emergency plans and their multi year accreditation.

County Administrator: County Administrator Knizacky noted that there is a survey regarding the update of the Mason County Zoning Ordinance available on the Mason County web site and urged all to complete the survey.

Emergency Management: L. Reimink noted that NIMS (National Incident Management System) updates are due to the emergency management office by September 1, 2016 to allow time for her to input that information in the report to the state. The Search and Rescue exercise is coming up on September 9th & 10th.

Any Other Business: No other business was reported.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 20, 2016.