

WHITE PINE COUNTY (WPC)  
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)  
MEETING MINUTES

Meeting date: Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Time: 10:00 am

Place: White Pine County Emergency Operations Center (EOC), 1150 North McGill Highway, Ely, Nevada, 89301

Present: **Brett North, Scott Henriod, Ross Rivera, Bill Calderwood, Tim Bunch, Jill Perez-Ward, Laurie Carson, Les Robison, Marian Perez, Wyatt Cox, Mike Johnson, Bernadett Sena, Shannin Peirce and Tabatha Hamilton.**

- I. **Call to Order- Called to order at 10:04 AM**
- II. **Public comment - As in the past, we will allow the public to comment on agenda items as the LEPC address them. The committee reserves the right to limit the time allowed for public comment. Persons are encouraged to submit comments in writing and / or attend and make relevant comments on the agenda items. - Brett North asked if there was any public comment to which there was no response. No public comment was made.**
- III. **Discussion for Possible Action: Approval of Agenda- Bill Calderwood made a motion to accept the Agenda. Laurie Carson seconded the motion and the motion was carried.**
- IV. **Discussion for Possible Action: Review & Approval of Minutes from 6/16/2020 Meeting-Laurie Carson voiced that her name was spelt incorrectly Bill Calderwood made a motion to accept the minutes with the correction of Laurie's name spelling being corrected. Laurie Carson seconded the motion and the motion was carried.**
- V. **Discussion for Possible Action: Development of Community Key Entities List- Entities such as the State highway, the School district, the Mines, NDOT, Social Services, the Airport, and the BLM were suggested to be a part of this list.**
- VI. **Discussion for Possible Action: Review and Approval of Committee Membership Representation Positions- After a small discussion, a motion was made by Laurie Carson to change the White Pine County fire/EMS to the Office of Emergency Management/Fire &EMS. It was also mentioned that welfare should be changed to Social services as they are no longer referred to as welfare. It was voiced that the media positions and the public health positions should be advertised in order to get the positions filled.**
- VII. **Discussion for Possible Action: Development of LEPC 5 Year Plan- It was mentioned that LEPC should be responsible for planning the live incident trainings and developing hazmat/ emergency response plans for the County. It was suggested that some sort of schedule be created so that the LEPC is on top of things and not falling behind. It was decided that a draft schedule will be brought to the next meeting to discuss. It was also suggested that a list of key contacts, for a contact flowchart, be created by each member and brought to the next meeting. That way the LEPC has the contacts for specific emergency situations and can compile them into one flowchart.**

- VIII. Discussion for Possible Action: Development of LEPC Priorities- **After a long discussion it was suggested that the #1 priority for LEPC would be to adhere to grant deadlines and requirements as this is important to receive a lot of the funding needed by all groups involved. It was suggested that the second priority would be determining an ongoing list of items that the LEPC is in need of. Another priority was suggested to be getting training/ and mock drills available to EMS/Fire/Law Enforcement such as those put on by the Red Cross.**
- IX. Discussion for Possible Action: Approval of HMEP Mid-Cycle Grant Application- **A motion was made by Ross Rivera to approve the HMEP grant application to allow funding for 10 people to attend Fire Shows West to receive HAZMAT training in September of 2020. The motion was seconded by Laurie Carson and the motion was carried.**
- X. Discussion for Possible Action: Future Agenda Items- **It was suggested that a reoccurring agenda item for training should be added to the agendas so that if anyone had any suggestions, that it could be discussed as a group. An item to develop an emergency call list was mentioned as well as an item to develop the timeline calendar. It was also mentioned that LEPC would continue to have the 5 year plan agenda item and the priorities agenda item as reoccurring items.**
- XI. Reports/ Updates from Committee Members- **It was reported by Ross Rivera that he would be retiring before the next meeting and that he had spoken to Pat Stork who may be taking over Ross's position. He explained that Pat was interested in participating in LEPC. It was also reported that at the second drive-through COVID-19 testing, 209 tests were taken and no people were turned away. 17 tests were left over and 74 tests were damaged in transit and so were unusable and discarded. The testing went very well considering that the National Guard was not there to help with the drive through like previously and that most of the other help was not available due to quarantine. Results were being processed but would be available soon. Laurie Carson updated that the commission approved the posting of signs on Public County Building to correlate with those required by local businesses in regards to mask requirements. Scott Henriod questioned when the United We Stand and OPTE grant funds were available to spend. Tabatha will reach out to see what she can find out.**
- XII. Discussion for Possible Action: Next Meeting Date- **The next tentative meeting date is 8/25/2020.**
- XIII. Public Comments – **Additional public comments are encouraged on all public safety matters for LEPC the consideration, both on and off the agenda. The Committee may prohibit comments if the content of the comments is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being slanderous, inflammatory, irrational, or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers. - Brett North asked if there was any public comment to which there was no response. No public comment was made.**
- XIV. Possible Action: Adjournment- **A motion was made by Laurie Carson to adjourn the meeting at 11:19 AM. The motion was seconded by Ross Rivera and the motion was carried.**