

Feb 18, 2016  
City Council Chambers  
100 E Ave A  
Jerome, Idaho

### **Attendance**

**Clint Blackwood** – Jerome County EMA, **Baldwin Camin** – LEPC/JPP, **Gary Davis** – IBHS, **Jay Gardner** – Jerome Police Department, **Larry Goolsby** – Jerome County EMA, **Bill Allred** – Jerome City Fire Dept., **Diana Ochsner** – Red Cross, **Dan Olmstead** – Idaho Power, **Eddie D. Patterson** – The Salvation Army, **David W Becker III** – The Salvation Army, **Cathy Roemer** – Jerome County Commissioner, **Tom Snow** – USDA - Farm Service, **Josh Jensen** – SCPHD, **David Campbell** – Rite Stuff Foods, **Joe Phillips** – Rite Stuff Foods, **Glenna Lawrence** – Jerome County OEM Assistant,

### **Welcome**

Jay Gardner, Chairman, called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone in attendance and invited members to introduce themselves.

Clint expressed his condolences for the loss of Linda Underwood, our Airport Manager and LEPC member who passed away recently. He asks the LEPC members in attendance, to observe a moment of silence in remembrance of her.

### **LEPC**

Minutes for January 2016 LEPC meeting were reviewed, corrected and approved.

### **Old Business**

Grant Update: Grant working on right now is the 2015 HSGP and the 2015 EMPG. Still waiting on bids for the Security System at the Radio Tower Site and this also includes the water runoff. The next thing on the grants would be when we get closer to moving into the Emergency Operation Center, we may need some extra funding for that.

### **New Business:**

Jay turned the time over to Clint Blackwood for the presentation on the Tier 2 – Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory.

Clint started off by showing a power point presentation asking;  
Tier 2....What is this all about? How did it begin? What are the authorities? What part do we play?

He tells us how it all began;

In 1984 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of December, in Bhopal, India, they gained International attention when a Union Carbide India Limited (UCIL) pesticide manufacturing plant leaked a mixture of deadly gases composed mainly of methyl isocyanate, leading to one of the worst industrial disaster in the world's history with over 7,000 people losing their lives overnight and over 21 thousand

more were injured including blindness and today several are still suffering from that one incident.

From that point they took existing laws and formed EPCRA (SARA Title III), *Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-know Act* (1986) USCFR Title 42 Chapter 116

OSHA was formed in 1970 (Occupational Health and Safety Act) and in addition to other requirements initiated the use of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS);

- Idaho Code Title 39 – Health and Safety Chapter 71 – Hazardous substance Emergency Response Act
- Idaho Code Title 46 – Chapter 10, Militia and Military Affairs
- Idaho Code 46 – 1009, Local and intergovernmental disaster agencies and services
  1. Each County within the state shall be within the jurisdiction
  2. Each County shall maintain a disaster agency.....has jurisdiction over and serves the entire county.

#### Local Emergency Planning Committees

- Required by Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA)
- Also Known as SARA Title III (1986)
- Requires Hazardous Material Reporting requirements

#### Local Emergency Planning Committees Membership

- Elected State and local officials
- Emergency Medical Personnel
- Fire Departments
- Health Officials
- Emergency Management
- Law Enforcement
- Community Groups
- Local Environmental Groups
- Broadcast and/or Print Media
- Hospital Personnel
- Owners and Operators of Covered Facilities
- Public Works Agency
- Other Interested Parties
- Private Citizens

#### Purpose of LEPC

- Maintain Records of Tier 2 reports
- Maintain MSDS information
- Maintain Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)

- Maintain records of LEPC Activities
- Coordinate with agencies and groups in Emergency Planning and Response Plans

#### What Hazardous Materials are Subject to Regulation?

- Extremely Hazardous Substances (EHS's)
- Hazardous Substances
- Hazardous Chemicals
- Toxic Chemicals
- List of Toxics & Flammables (as defined by EPCRA, EPA, RMP's (Risk Management Plans) under the Clean Air Act of 1990) CERCLA – Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

#### Reporting Requirements

- Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS)
- Emergency and hazardous chemical inventory
- Toxic chemical release forms
- Tier 2 Report Due March 1<sup>st</sup> of Each Year
- Reported to Fire Department of Jurisdiction, LEPC and SERC

Clint says we have about 38 agencies in Jerome County that hand in Tier 2 reports to us, or should be handing in their reporting requirements. If they don't report it and the EPA or OSHA find out they could be subject to some heavy fines. Clint said that if anyone would like a list of chemicals in the area you have a right to know and the information is available to you.

#### **Training Opportunities / Exercises:**

There will be an Emergency Operation Planning class held in May and will be a great EOC exercise, held in Pocatello, Idaho.

#### **Agency Reports:**

**Eddie D. Patterson** – updated us on the canteen units in Idaho Falls and the 25' trailer they got from Homeland Security, and hope to turn that one into a full kitchen when they raise the money. They are working on making 10 to 12 feet of it with a ham radio for '*Emergency Disasters and Long Term Recovery*' and the rest of it as sleeping area for Emergency Disaster workers. Outside of the trailer will be an eating area.

**Cathy Roemer** – updated us on the Jail: the Architect said the kitchen is in place, administration offices moving right along and the electronics will be placed in the control room. Small issue, the sheriff noticed we were at 126 beds when the original proposal was for 135. It was an error early on in the planning by the architect, he has agreed to pay the shipping for double bunks to make good on the error and Jerome County accepted his offer.

Cathy gives her condolences in losing our Airport Manager Linda Underwood. In all due respect for the family they are waiting until after the services to advertise the airport position. She says the assistant, Will Jackson, is doing a great job; good knowledge of what goes on at the airport and up to speed on sensitive issues such as fuel and testing, and is handling some of the billing issues as well.

Upcoming event; the month of April in Twin Falls there will be an exercise on nuclear clean up, the agreement with the state of Idaho, deadlines etc. etc. She is hoping for a good turn out from our LEPC group and as it gets closer she will give more detail.

**Diana Ochsner** – The biggest issue the Red Cross has right now and updated report of 69 tornados, way ahead of schedule and estimating it will get a lot worse and also a record number of hurricanes across the US. Locally, the word they got was.... they are expecting it to be warmer and dryer which is not good for the fire situations in the area. When Rick Bernsen returns they will be getting the trailers ready and prepared by mid-March for any chances of being called out on any wildland fires.

**Bill Allred** – just finished 'Operation Hazardous Materials Training' along with the staff.

**Tom Snow** – Will be hosting a conservation compliance field day next Wednesday and the focus is to reduce soil erosion from the farmers. Basically helps reduce dust blowing and other environmental hazard type stuff.

**Josh Jensen** – SCPHD, There is a County exercise that is coming up in May. The 101<sup>st</sup> Civil Support team out of Boise will be coming down on March 9<sup>th</sup> to do a drill at the fairgrounds, and March 8<sup>th</sup> they will do some training at the Twin Falls Fire department. Any Jurisdiction is welcome and invited to participate if they can.

**Gary Davis** – Legislature submitted a name change from Homeland Security to Office of Emergency Management because every time somebody heard Homeland Security they automatically thought of the feds, in reality we are state not federal and our main objective is Emergency Management.

### **Our Next Jerome LEPC Meeting**

March 24, 2016

1 pm – 2pm

Jerome City Council Chambers