



Barton County LEPC

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Meeting Notes

October 23, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Barton County Courthouse
Conference Room
Great Bend, KS 67530

1. **Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Amy Miller at 10:10 a.m.

2. **Introduction of Members**

Chairman Miller welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that all of those individuals present introduce themselves and describe their agency/affiliation. Members and guests were also asked to sign the Record of Attendance.

Members Present: Stephen Billinger, Barton County Sheriff's Office, Lieutenant
 Don Halbower, American Red Cross Volunteer
 Doug Hubbard, Claflin Fire Department
 Luke McCormick, Great Bend Fire Department, Fire Chief
 Amy Miller, Barton County Emergency Management, Director
 Dennis Neeland, Great Bend COOP
 Dena Popp, Barton County 911 Communications, Director
 Jane Schepmann, Clara Barton Hospital

Guests Present: None

3. **Adoption of Meeting Notes from the August 27, 2019 Meeting**

Chairman Miller asked if there were any revisions to the August 27, 2019 Meeting Notes. There were none offered.

Action: To approve Meeting Notes from August 27, 2019.

Motion: Dennis Neeland

Second: Luke McCormick
Vote: Carried on voice vote.

4. Request to Public Notice

Amy Miller, Barton County Emergency Management Director, informed the committee that in the past a public notice has been published in the Great Bend Tribune to inform citizens of the contact information for the Barton County LEPC. Information concerning LEPC meetings, hazardous materials planning, and hazardous materials that are stored, used or manufactured within Barton County can be requested by contacting Barton County Emergency Management during regular business hours. Members were told that the information contained in the public notice is also on the Barton County website.

Action: To approve Public Notice for publication in the Great Bend Tribune on November 3, 2019.
Motion: Don Halbower
Second: Dena Popp
Vote: Carried on voice vote.

5. Annual Training and Exercise Planning Workshop (TEPW)

Miller told members that the annual TEPW has been scheduled for November 7, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Barton County Courthouse Conference Room. Miller asked if the members knew of any planned exercises that should be placed on the TEPW schedule. The Kansas Department of Health Environment statewide exercise in April 2020 was mentioned. Members also discussed reunification plans and exercising them as well as additional evacuation and lock down exercises.

6. CRMCS – Review of System and Status of Homeland Security Project

Amy Miller, LEPC Chairperson, discussed the Comprehensive Resource Management and Credentialing System (CRMCS). The South Central Homeland Security Regional Council recently purchased updated badge printers for member counties. There is also an emphasis being put on entering equipment into the CRMCS system that is deployable said Miller. When equipment is entered into CRMCS, such as a vehicle, an accountability card can be printed and sent with the vehicle to assist with tracking assets at an emergency scene. Agencies can search for this equipment by utilizing the KansasMap application. A password is necessary to gain access to the information. Agencies may contact Barton County Emergency Management or the Kansas Division of Emergency Managements for further information regarding KansasMap.

7. Membership of LEPC

Miller advised members that the following membership categories would be expiring at the end of calendar year 2019 and would need to be appointed: State/Local Official, Emergency Management, Transportation, emergency Medical Personnel, Local Environment Groups, and Community Groups. Miller will email out membership applications to current members and advertise for new members.

8. Training Opportunities

Amy Miller, Barton County Emergency Management, announced several training opportunities:
Flammable Liquids Spill Response – October 26 – Hutchinson

2020 Wildland Fire Season Outlook Seminar – December 14 – Hutchinson
Wide Area Search – March 17-19, 2020 – Junction City
Miller also provided a current list of KDEM course offerings that are posted on KS-Train.

Miller asked if any members had training opportunities to announce.

Dena Popp and Luke McCormick talked about the Active Threat Training/Exercise in Newton on October 31, November 1 and November 2, 2019. Great Bend Fire Department and Barton County 911 Communications will both be sending staff to participate. Miller added that there is still room for anyone who would like to participate either as a player or a role player.

Steve Billinger announced there will be a conceal carry class at the Barton County Sheriff's office on November 2 and spaces are still available. Cost of the class is \$50 and includes training and lunch.

Billinger also said that October 26 was Drug Take Back Day and anyone could drop off drugs at the Barton County Courthouse Parking Lot from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Luke McCormick discussed the training/exercise for Task Force 5 that was held last week at Crisis City.

9. Reports from Members

Amy Miller, Chairman, asked if any members had any reports. There was no additional information offered.

10. Other Business and Public Comments

No members reported other business and there were no public comments.

11. Discuss next meeting date of LEPC

The next meeting date will be tentatively scheduled for January 22, 2020 at the Barton County Courthouse, Conference Room. A definitive date will be sent out after the first of the year.

12. Adjournment

Action: To adjourn the October 23, 2019 meeting of the Barton County LEPC.

Motion: Dennis Neeland

Second: Steve Billinger

Vote: Carried on voice vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Approved: February 11, 2020
Amy J. Miller