



Barton County LEPC

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Meeting Notes

November 17, 2021

1:30 p.m.

Barton County Virtual Meeting
via Microsoft Teams
Great Bend, KS 67530

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Amy Miller at 1:32 p.m.

2. Introduction of Members

Chairman Miller welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated she would read the list of individuals that were signed into the meeting. If she missed anyone's name, they should enter their name in the chat box.

Members Attending: Patrick Crowdis, USD 431 - Hoisington
Judy Goreham, Barton County Environmental Management
Amanda Hoffman, Clara Barton Hospital
Doug Hubbard, Claflin Fire Department
Christina Jimenez, Sunflower Diversified Services
Mark Kircher, Wheatland Electric Cooperative
Luke McCormick, Great Bend Fire Department, Fire Chief
Amy Miller, Barton County Emergency Management, Director
Martin Miller, Great Bend Airport
Kristian Pearson, The Center for Counseling & Consultation
Karen Winkelman, Barton County Health Department, Director

Guests Attending: Jim Leftwich, KDEM, South Central Regional Coordinator
Debra Tucker, American Red Cross-Kansas
Paula Hofmeister, Clara Barton Hospital
Rana Ingram, Clara Barton Hospital
Lindsey Ensley, Barton County Health Department

3. Adoption of Meeting Notes from the August 31, 2021, Meeting

Chairman Miller asked if there were any revisions to the August 31, 2021, Meeting Notes. There were none offered.

Action: To approve Meeting Notes from August 31, 2021.

Motion: Doug Hubbard

Second: Luke McCormick

Vote: Carried on voice vote.

4. Request to Publish Public Notice

Chairman Miller informed the committee that until last year a public notice has been published yearly in the Great Bend Tribune to inform citizens of the contact information for the Barton County LEPC and the accessibility of SARA Title III hazardous substances. Members were told that the information is always on the Barton County website, under LEPC and SARA Title III.

Action: To approve Public Notice for publication in the Great Bend Tribune, under Public Notices, one time on November 28, 2021.

Motion: Judy Goreham

Second: Christina Jimenez

Vote: Carried on voice vote.

5. Hazardous Materials Exercise

Amy Miller, Emergency Management Director, told the committee that an important part of Hazardous Materials planning is exercising the plans. She said that today she would be conducting a workshop for the LEPC members that would not just focus on the response to the incident but also consider what LEPC members could do for the residents of Barton County in the recovery phase.

LEPC members participated in a workshop – Barton County LEPC Chemical Danger 2021. The results of the exercise will be reported to the Kansas Division of Emergency Management not only for LEPC participation for a hazardous materials exercise but also to meet program requirements for the Emergency Performance Grant Program (EMPG).

6. Training Opportunities

Chairman Miller asked if any members had any training information to share. Jim Leftwich, South Central Coordinator, reported that the Kansas Division of Emergency Management is tentatively scheduling training in the June-July 2022 timeframe due to COVID-19.

Miller reported that a tentative date of March 8, 2022, has been set for Storm Fury on the Plains but the final decision of whether the event will be in-person or virtual will not be determined until early 2022.

8. Announcements or Reports from Members

Amy Miller, Chairman, asked if any members had any announcements or reports.

There were none made.

9. Other Business – Including Public Comments

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

10. Discuss next meeting date of LEPC

Chairman Miller told members that the next meeting will be scheduled after January 1, 2022.

12. Adjournment

Action: To adjourn the November 17, 2021, meeting of the Barton County LEPC.

Motion: Judy Goreham

Second: Doug Hubbard

Vote: Carried on voice vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

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