

Spartanburg County Local Emergency Planning Committee

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**** Minutes****

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The Spartanburg County Local Emergency Planning Committee convened at 10:00 am on Monday, March 10, 2014 at the South Carolina Army National Guard 228th Signal Group HQ.

Those present were: see attached sign-in sheets (.pdf document)

The following agenda items were addressed:

OPENING, CALL TO ORDER – Doug Bryson

Mr. Doug Bryson, LEPC Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS AND GUEST – Doug Bryson

Mr. Bryson welcomed members and guests.

REPORT ON RECENT ACTIVITIES

Mr. Bryson opened the floor for any updates on recent activities.

Hazard Vulnerability/Risk Analysis - Michael Thomas - The LEPC Hazard Vulnerability/Risk Analysis Committee plans to conduct 1 HVA for this year but are still looking for a volunteer.

Health - Jeff Straub – Nothing new to report.

Resource - Emergency Management - Robbie Swofford referenced that Teir II submittals were winding

Transportation - Vacant: The LEPC is seeking a new Transportation coordinator

HazMat Cobra Update: Tony elaborated on training that will be provided by upcoming HMEP funding.

SCEMD – Derrec Becker

Mr. Becker presentation focused on their first full EOC activation since 2005. He noted it was a 4 day operation and it was the first time since 1999 at the media briefing room had been used. During the ice storm, EMD utilized social media to get accurate information out the public and utilized it for rumor control. During this time, 40 Red Cross shelters were opened, housing 555 people and 565 interviews were conducted. Anyone who doesn't have a social media presence is encouraged to get one. Not only as a communications tool with their stakeholders, but to address any rumors that might begin circulating about a certain Industry/Company.

OPEN THE FLOOR FOR DISCUSSION

Jim and Russ spoke of their experiences in Aiken and Williamsburg as they were deployed away from their region and info County EOC's that needed assistance.

CLOSING REMARKS

Mr. Bryson thanked everyone for coming and encouraged everyone to attend the next LEPC meeting. The next LEPC meeting is scheduled for June 9, 2014. The meeting location will announced and as always, food sponsors are always appreciated and welcomed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doug Bryson

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