



**Clark County Local Emergency Planning Committee  
Citizen Corps Council**  
500 S. GRAND CENTRAL PKWY  
Las Vegas, NV 89106  
PUEBLO ROOM

**MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, May 18, 2011 9:00 A.M.**

**ATTENDANCE**

**LEPC MEMBERS PRESENT:**

IRENE NAVIS, JANE SHUNNEY, KURT ADAIR, ROY MICHAEL, CAROLYN LEVERING, KEVIN NICHOLSON, DAN LAKE, JOHN HIGLEY, ELAINE HOUSER, KIM FERGUSON, WARREN GLIDEWELL, JOHN HORTON, PHIL KLEVORICK, MIKE RICHARDSON, SANDY SEDA, FAITH BORDEN, BRETT HANDY, RYAN TURNER, MARIE TASKER

**LEPC ALTERNATES PRESENT:**

CHRIS SPROULE, TIM SENDLEBACH, DENNIS DOMANSKY, DIMITRI THEODOREAU, LISA LEWIS, JOHN FUDENBERG, GEORGE MOLNAR,

**LEPC MEMBERS ABSENT:**

FERNANDEZ LEARY, BRETT PRIMAS, SHANNON ROONEY, FRED THOMPSON, MIKE CYPHERS, DAVID GOSS, PAUL GERNER, LAWRENCE SANDS, DAVE DAHL, GLENN CLOSSON, SUSAN CROWLEY, JAMES OLSCHLAGER, MANY BAY, BILL RICHARDSON, TIFFANY SIMPKINS, BRIAN PASSOW, FELIX ACEVEDO, MIKE MURPHY, TOM AXTELL, DENNIS NOLAN

**I. Call to Order**

Irene Navis LEPC Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M. on Wednesday May 18, 2011.

**II. Roll Call**

Irene Navis: Quorum present.

**III. Approval of February 16, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Motion, by Jane Shunney: To approve the minutes as recorded.

No second.

No discussion, motioned carried.

The Chair introduced her two job shadows for the day, Pat with the Neighborhood Justice Center and Reese with IT.

**The Chair changed the order of the agenda by moving items VI & VII placing item IV after.**

**VI. Mobile Data Collection**

UER Representative Ryan, gave a brief overview and presentation on the project they have been working on for mobile data collection. Using the example of damage assessment he performed an online demonstration with the computerized tool.

## **VII. Medical District Critical Infrastructure**

UER Representative John Morrison, informed the group what he came to talk about was what they call the Orator Presentation. What they call a phase two in the Silvershield program. Phase one is essentially where they go to a facility and collect very brief data and take a couple of ground level photos and then input that into an online database for first responders. Phase two takes more time and effort as they come out and do a more thorough assessment and use spherical cameras and 360 degree video. The idea is to give the first responder situational awareness ground level before they ever show up. This is all internet accessible where you can download the program. John further demonstrated the tool via visual presentation of the Medical District near UMC.

## **IV. Adopt Medical Surge Area Command Plan**

Ryan Turner, UMC, spoke about the history of how the plan came to fruition. The Southern Nevada Health Care Preparedness Association set their goal in 2010/2011 to operationalize the Clark County Med Surge appendix. Ryan detailed all the organizations involved with the many meetings and studies of best practices over the past year. This group has reviewed and spent a lot of time to address concerns and they are CPG101 compliant. Ryan reported that all of the hospitals approve and are a part of the plan. Through the Clark County Open House event at New Years, the area command was set up and demonstrated.

Motion, by Jane Shunney: To Adopt the plan as submitted

Seconded, by Carolyn Levering.

No discussion, motioned carried.

## **V. Summer Storm Season**

Faith Borden, National Weather Service, briefly spoke about the summer weather season and notifications. Faith provided a three month weather outlook for May – July. We are expecting near normal precipitation for the summer months. Not currently expecting drought conditions. She also demonstrated NWS Chat, where you can talk to forecasters directly in real time. This NWS Chat is a secured site that Faith will be happy to get people registered.

Faith described the different levels in alerts: A WATCH means that conditions are favorable for that weather condition, a WARNING means that it is in action, example was there is a flash flood watch then it starts flooding so there is a warning. ADVISORY means that there are conditions happening but they have not elevated to a WARNING, they are just a nuisance such as a wind advisory.

## **VIII. Strategic National Stockpile Medical Countermeasure Dispensing Plan**

Jane Shunney, SNHD, presented the plan. *(Due to the fact that this should have been an action item a special LEPC meeting will be held to Approve and Accept at a later time.)*

Jane advised that this is not a new plan but just an update to the already existing. Two chapters expanded chapter 2 and chapter 9. Jane also stated that in a recent exercise titled Southern Storm they tested the receipt time of the Stockpile medications.

Copies of the plan were distributed *(see attached)* for review, this allows time for consumption and at that time any questions may be answered at the special meeting date TBD before it is put to a vote.

The chair called for discussion, Elaine Houser suggested to Jane that utilities be included in the priority groups.

**IX. System Electric Emergency Operating Plan**

Kim Ferguson, NV Energy, narrated through her power point presentation (*see attached*). Kim explained that NV Energy gearing up for rotating power shut downs related to heat and usage. Kim stated that this is not the first time she has presented this information or similar information to the LEPC but that she was just bringing this to the forefront again as many people will get questions when these outages occur. Kim explained manual load shedding, and went over priority alert levels, system restoration and public safety implications.

**X. HMEP Mid-cycle Training Grant Applications**

The chair stated that the application was put together by Richard Brenner. *Due to the fact that this should have been an action item a special LEPC meeting will be held to Approve and Accept at a later time.*

**XI. Justin Timberlake Shriner's Hospital for Children Open – PGA Tour**

No presentation at this time, presenter rescheduled for August meeting.

The chair advised that both she and Ric LaPorte had attended a planning meeting for this event which is an annual PGA Tournament at TPC. This year they are recognizing the military and public safety personnel. They will have a large venue available to any pub safety entity that would like to have a booth/display. The event will be held the last week of September thru the first week of October. There are opportunities for participation if anyone is interested. The purpose is to coordinate with Emergency Preparedness month.

**XII. A. LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**a. Community Awareness & Emergency Response**

Glenn Closson reported on behalf of Susan Crowley, the next meeting will be Tuesday June 21, 2011. On the agenda is to further create an online website for the community to access information primarily on the BMI complex and what the manufacturing products are there at the complex as well as to further give information on what the emergency response readiness is on the BMI Complex. Secondly, to pursue some joint BMI Complex drills.

**b. Community Organizations Active in Disaster**

No report

**c. Community Right-to-Know Subcommittee**

No report

**d. Emergency Alert System Update**

No report

**e. Emergency Management Coordinators Group**

The chair advised that the scheduled meeting for May was postponed and the next will be in July at the next regularly scheduled time.

**f. Training Subcommittee**

No report

**g. Grants Subcommittee**

The chair advised that there should be a point of contact and that it would be her going forward. The chair then reported there was a couple of things put before the SERC one was a grant application that was denied due to the fact that it did not make it to the SERC office by the time required according to their records so they were not able to consider it. There was then a second application that was a first come first serve situation and by the time we answered all the questions we were lower in the pile than what was able to be funded in this round and will be considered in a future round of funding. There is another application moving through the process now.

**h. Public Information Subcommittee**

No report - inactive

**i. Legislative Subcommittee**

Arlene Chapman provided a new list and explained the format of the BDR sheet that she provided (*see attached*). Arlene advised that AB549 proposed changes to Homeland Security Commission membership and confidential documents. She also advised that AB151 and SB140 are both bills that impact ARES/RACES.

Jim Davis ARES/RACES, explained the impact of the Bill as it is written now. AB151 will shut them down but they are ok with SB140.

**j. Metropolitan Medical Response Update**

Chris Sproule advised that he is waiting on funding levels. At this point he cannot confirm what they will be although they remain optimistic for funding in 2011. From 2012 forward there is no idea. In August Chris will still be working for LVFD but will be transferring over to the Fusion center to help strengthen the communication between Law Enforcement, Public Health and the EMS community.

**k. NV-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team Update**

No report

**l. Nuclear Waste Division Yucca Mountain Update**

Phil Kelvorick reported that the funding for this program has dried up, they received their last installment a couple of months ago. Staffing levels will not increase but will instead begin to diminish. Phil clarified that the Yucca project was not dead according to the political world, it is still in legal limbo. They continue to still monitor and prepare for licensing as that is still in process. The attorneys are still preparing for depositions as well as they can considering they still do not have a formal schedule.

Other things related to Yucca mountain are what is going on at the Nevada National Security Site formerly known as the Test Site. There is a site wide EIS expected to come out in July, it was due out in April but due to the number of signatures required for the approval process through the house of the DOE it was available at that time. This information will be particularly important and critical to a lot of emergency managers from many aspects ranging from construction activities to transportation. There is an existing EIS before the public for comment for Greater than Class C low level waste comment on the draft is due by June 27. Clark County has provided initial comments and they will have more in depth comments as they go forward before the June deadline. An interesting point is that Greater Class C is very similar to spent nuclear fuel and high level waste which was proposed for Yucca Mtn. The only way that the NRS says that Class C can be disposed of is by deep geological deposit, they are now proposing 5 different way to dispose which would mean that Congress will have to change the law. There are concerns that this disposal of Greater than Class C is imminent at the site given that Yucca Mountain is in it's

demise. Phil stated that there proposed transfer sites for the rail shipments and they are at Arden, Apex and West Wendover.

**m. Planning Subcommittee**

No report

**n. State Emergency Response Commission**

No report

**o. Satellite Phone Update**

No report

**p. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Report**

*(see attached)*

**B. CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL REPORTS**

• **Amateur Radio Emergency Service**

No report

• **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)**

Carolyn Levering reported that the City has three people at Emmitsburg to get certified as instructors and program managers. This is so that they can expand the number of offerings throughout the community. Carolyn was hopeful that the afternoon NCHS Finance Committee meeting would go well so that they could be funded to continue the program at the desired level.

• **Fire Corps**

No report.

• **Medical Reserve Corps**

Jane Shunney reported for Paula Martel. MRC Has invited Irene Navis to speak at the next meeting which is scheduled for next week. Irene is addressing nuclear energy and what our local risks are if something happens in California.

A licensed vet technician Susan Vondrachec, who is a local MRC Volunteer was one of three MRC volunteers to receive the National 2011 MRC Responder Award at the 2011 Integrated Training Summit in Grapevines, Texas. .

• **Neighborhood Watch**

No report

• **Volunteer in Police Service**

No report

**XIII. Public Comments**

- The chair introduced Frank from CSN. Frank is the new Emergency Preparedness Coordinator. There are several campus's throughout Clark County. He has been in contact with each local EM to introduce himself. He will be reaching out to seek assistance in developing emergency plans.
- The chair mentioned that there have been several podcasts done recently. The first podcast with Jane Shunney was in the top 25 of podcasts for many weeks. The third which was done yesterday was with Clark County Fire. The opportunity to produce a podcast with Clark County OEM is open for all LEPC members, these podcasts are done at no cost. Ideally having multiple topics throughout National Preparedness Month would be optimal.

- Phil Klevorick announced that he had accidentally come across a rail study that was being done in the State of NV. The State of Nevada has hired Jacobs Engineering to conduct a rail study plan. Meetings have started this year. There are future meetings planned for second and third quarter. They are looking at expanding a north/south rail to Reno for both passenger and freight service. Check the NDOT Website for the Nevada State Rail Plan.

**Next LEPC meeting: Wednesday August 17, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., Pueblo Room Clark County Government Center 500 S. Grand Central Pkwy.**

**XI. Adjournment**

Motion, by Jane Shunney: To adjourn the meeting.

*In accordance to Nevada's Open Meeting Law, this meeting was properly posted and electronically recorded.*