

NORTH CHANNEL LEPC MEETING MINUTES

Oct. 5, 2009

Galena Park ISD Administration Building
14705 Woodforest Blvd.
(NE corner of intersection BW-8 and Woodforest)
Lunch at 11:30 am, meeting begins at noon

- I. Call to Order and Introductions – Meeting began at 11:50 am with 31 attendees.
- II. Review of Minutes from September Meeting – Minutes were not read during the meeting, having been distributed prior to the meeting. Motion to approve the meetings was raised by Anorga and 2'd by Strouhal. Motion carried by voice vote.
- III. Committee Reports
 - Finance w / Treasurer's report – Spaid presented the financial report through October 5. Motion to accept financial report by Battise, 2'd by Anorga. Motion carried by voice vote.
 - HHWCD – Squyres noted that County funding will prevent them staging the Mobile Haz collection event in Crosby which was planned to be simultaneous with our GPISD event on Oct. 24. But we do have the agreement from the County for our GPISD event. Spaid reviewed HHWCD preparations checklist. Flyers were received today and have been distributed to members.

Squyres noted for future HHWCD events we may want to consider applying for grants from the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC). Cheryl Burtun-Fentres noted the County's permanent facility will be opening in December. They will be open Wednesday's between 9 and 3, and on 2nd Saturday's between 9 and 3.

Cheryl Burton-Fentres noted an alternate way to finance HHWCD's is to have each industry member sponsor a drum(s) of waste.

Motion to authorize applying for grant money for future HHWCD events was raised by Anorga and 2'd by Strouhal. Carried by voice vote.
 - Compliance and Emergency Notification System – Tier 2 from Tex-Trude has been received.
 - Facility visit to Ingenia Polymers (on Appelt) on September 15. The facility manager was very cooperative. The facility emergency response plan is only an evacuation plan. More work with that facility is anticipated. We have asked for his latest Tier 2. Spaid intends to followup with Ingenia Polymers on items noted in the visit.

- Next facility to visit is the Kinder-Morgan site on Penn City Road on Oct. 20. Tex-Trude visit may occur in November.
- Spaid noted Coastal Water Authority has been contacted regarding their RMP emergency plans. CWA has ammonia and chlorine.
- Drills and Training / Chief's Council Report – Battise - No report.
- Transportation – Anorga - Nothing to report. He is looking for volunteers to staff his sub-committee.

IV. CAPLE and HAD-CAP Reports

- CAPLE – Strouhal reported on the latest CAPLE meeting (Sept. 17). Lyondell reported they had a 9% reduction in air emissions over previous year. They had a 29% reduction in benzene and 1, 3-butadiene emissions. Next meeting is Oct. 15.
- HAD-CAP – Spaid reported on the Sept. 28 HAD-CAP meeting. Highlight was a presentation by Michael Hutto of TCEQ on their inspection processes. Next meeting is set for Oct. 27.

V. Agency Reports

- County – nothing to report.
- Precinct 2 – nothing to report.
- HCOEM – David Wade noted Transtar has made some significant improvements, greatly expanded EOC, etc. He invites members to come visit.
- GPISD – C. Vital reported no influenza outbreak yet.
- EHRMC – No report.

VI. Old Business – Squyres noted today is beginning of H1N1 vaccinations for emergency response and hospital personnel.

Followup discussion to E-notify presentation from previous meeting. Squyres wishes to keep this item as an open agenda item for future meetings.

VII. New Business –

- LEPC officer nominations – Squyres noted it is time to nominate and elect new officers (Chair and vice-Chair). This will be an agenda item for the November meeting.
- Presentation by Dawn McCain regarding David C. Hall, Jr. M.D. Foundation which will be holding its first fund raiser on November 14. Ms. McCain's contact info: dawn.mccain@sbcglobal.net or (713) 301-4185

VIII. Next meetings:

- November 2

IX. Adjournment at 12:45.