



LEPC Quarterly Meeting

September 13, 2022, 10 A.M.

OEMC 1411 W. Madison Room 456

Members in Attendance:

Glen Lyman (Chair)	David Cozzi (SET Env.)	William Schatz (LEPC)
Terry Sheahan (CDPH)	John Plante (LEPC)	Bethany Hand (CFD)
Jim Kolacki (SET)	Tyrone Dumas Jr. (CTA)	Mark Folsom (Kinder Morgan)
Devan Gourdine (CTA)		

Call In:

Jeremy Kaufman (Tetra Tech)	Barbi Lee (EPA)	Jim Mitchell (EPA)
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Introductions & Affiliation's:

Meeting was called to order at 10:17 am by Chairperson Glen Lyman. Introductions and Affiliations were made.

Motion made by Chair Glen Lyman second by John Plante to approve the **Minutes for June 7, 2022:** were reviewed and approved. The minutes/agendas shall be posted on the webpage <https://chicagolepc.org/>

HMEP Grant Update (Bethany Hand CFD)

- Grant closes out at the end of the September
- \$44,000 remaining in funds with Tera Tech
- FY 2022 request being submitted in cooperation with Cook County
- Considering conducting a Flow Study in cooperation with Cook County
- The amount of the FY22 funding award is currently unknown
- Waiting for August invoice from Tetra Tech
- Bill Schatz inquired about a short extension to the current grant cycle and Bethany Hand responded she would contact Jimmy Thompson from IEMA regarding an extension.

PEPC Exercise update (Jeremy Kaufmam)

- Work continues with participating agencies to finalize the report
- Appears to be approximately \$15,000 in funds left over after the final exercise invoices are paid for

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- The After-Action Review (AAR) should be out by the end of the month (September 23) and forwarded to Alvin Childress (OEMC)
- The August invoice has been submitted to the City of Chicago Public Administrative Services (PAS) group
- Tetra Tech feels the exercise was a success with some of the early strengths recognized were cooperation between agencies and transfer of CFD command to Unified Command.
- Improvements that will be included in the AAR are the inclusion of LEPC contact information, further training within the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and communications flow, along with roles and responsibilities of the Joint Information Center (JIC)
- A recommendation was made to use the remaining funds to have Tetra Tech clean up the existing Chemical Emergency Response Plan (CERP)
- Since the grant funding is Federally funded, all documentation shall be properly saved by Tetra Tech in preparation for any audit by Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

Tier Two Update (Terry Sheahan)

- Terry Sheahan informed the group of his retirement at the end of the month
- Tier II reports in the future shall be handled by Donovan Tietje and Mike Enos from CDPH
- These two individuals will forward the Tier 2 email blast at the end of December and first week of January
- Terry will conduct training with the individuals prior to retirement
- IEMA will be informed that Alvin Childress can be contacted with any issues.

Request for Training Funds from CFD HazMat (Glen Lyman)

- CFD is requesting to use the remaining HMEP grant funds to finance "Live Release Ammonia" training with Ammonia Safety and Training Institute (ASTI) for CFD personnel.
- Motion to approve presented by Glen Lyman second by John Plante
- Group moved to approve the request. With the caveat that if CFD is unable to conduct the ASTI, the remaining funds shall be used by Tetra Tech to work on the CERP.

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New Business

- Devon Gourdine from CTA informed the group that the CTA is working on a project related to Lithium Ion Batteries
- Request to provide the project to the Chicago LEPC at the December meeting
- The CFD is looking into obtaining training and equipment to address the accelerated use of Lithium batteries
- CFD is currently conducting walkthrough of CTA facilities involved with Lithium battery use and storage
- Terry Sheahan informed the group that the Hazardous Household Waste Center (HHWC) received Lithium batteries for disposal
- Barbi Lee (EPA) informed the group that the EPA is holding a EPA Team Meeting October 12 & 13 at the Chicago office. The meeting is open to the LEPC group
- Terry Sheahan informed the group that Acid Products has reached out to him regarding conducting an exercise with the CFD. Terry referred Acid products to the Chicago LEPC Chair for communications

**The next LEPC meeting will be on December 13, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in OEMC Rm 456
Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m. second by Bethany Hand**