

New Hanover County LEPC
Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2005

The following persons were in attendance:

Alexander, Mike	BASF
Allen, Matt	GE/GNF – A
Blake, Suzanne	UNCW
Cox, Heidi	NCDENR – PWS
Davis, Matt	NHCFD
Epperson, Charlie	USCG MSO Wilmington
Greenhouse, Timothy	NCNG
Harrison, Robert	SSC
Harts, Stan	UNCW
Hines, David	WFD
Hollinger, Bob	Elementis Chromium
Ivoska, Frank	IEA
Jordan, Ron	WFD
Long, Donnie	NC State Port Police
Monetta, Chris	GE/GNF - A
Morgan, Rodney	Corning
Newland, Brad	NCDENR-DAQ
Pearce, Wayne	NHC Emergency Management
Pridgen, Frankie	NHCFD
White, Lisa	INVISTA
Wingenroth, Kristen	NHC Emergency Management

Welcome and Introductions:

The meeting, held in the Masonboro Room at the Downtown Library, was called to order at 1200 hours by Lisa White. The meeting was sponsored by GE/GNF-A. The February meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Membership Announcements:

Chief Ron Jordan introduced Chief David Hines. Chief Hines will be heading up WFD Special Operations and Chief Jordan will be moving to head up Suppression Operations.

The free training on Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings cosponsored by the North Carolina Maritime Committee and the NHC LEPC on February 11, 2005 was a tremendous success.

Old Business:

Meeting topics, locations and sponsors have been scheduled through June 2005. See schedule below. Anyone wanting to sponsor a meeting should contact Kristen Wingenroth at 341-4595.

The LEPC does not have a current list of official members. The last letters of designation are from the 1998 – 1999 time frame. Each member company needs to designate a voting representative and if needed a proxy member in the event of their absence from the meeting. Only one individual from a member company can vote during the election of LEPC officers. Kristin will draft up a formal letter to designate your organization’s voting representative and send to all member organizations. Please complete this letter of designation and return to Kristen no later than the April meeting.

New Business:

Kristen informed the group that the NC Division of Emergency Management was requesting proposals for the new HMEP grant cycle. Proposals must be submitted to the program office no later than March 31, 2005. The grant can be used to develop site-specific facilities plans for facilities with extremely hazardous substances, to conduct commodity flow studies or to conduct tabletop or full scale exercises at fixed facilities or in transportation. The group voted to submit a proposal for the grant money and that the grant would be used to conduct a full scale exercise.

Frankie Pridgen gave a presentation on the Public Safety Training Center that, if approved by the County Commissioners, City Council and the CFCC Board of Directors, will be built at the CFCC North Campus. The facility would house 5 – 6 classrooms, a 7 story drill tower, an apparatus building, a commercial burn building and a residential burn building. The facility would be managed by CFCC. Frankie asked that the LEPC and its member send a letter of support to all parties voting on this project. The LEPC voted to send a letter of support and Kristen will send out a template so that LEPC members can send letters of support from their organizations. This facility will be an excellent community resource.

Mr. Frank Ivoska of International Environmental Associates, Inc. gave a very informative presentation of a complete compliance tool called RegAction.

Tentative 2005 LEPC Meeting Schedule

Date	Location	Topic	Sponsor
January 12 th	UNCW EH&S Building	UNCW EH&S Overview	NHCEM
February 9 th	UNCW EH&S Building	Roger Dail-Kinston Explosion	UNCW
March 9 th	Main Library- Masonboro Room	Environmental Software- RegAction	GE
April 13 th	INVISTA	Nominations for Officers	INVISTA
May 11 th	Main Library- Masonboro Room	Elections	FORTRON
June 8 th	Cape Fear Museum	Review HazMat Plan- ESF #10	
July 13 th	Cape Fear Museum		
August 10 th	Cape Fear Museum		
September TBA	UNCW- CAP	Toxic Release Inventory	CAP
October 12 th	Cape Fear Museum		
November 9 th	Cape Fear Museum	New EOC Tour??	NHCEM