### **Broome County**

## Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

# LEPC MEETING MINUTES 12/16/2021

- Start of meeting 13:03
- Introduction of guests/new members. Joyce Collier new Emergency Manager
- Attendees: Michael Bender, Eric Janis, Garrick Henry, Kim Saunders, Jessie Sullivan, Joyce Collier, Kim Saunders, Katie Kamp, Mike Heide, Ron Patti, Pamela Rexer, Raymond Serowik, Callie Kavleski, Dave Adler
- Approval of minutes 10/21/21, Motion Garrick, Second Kim at 13:03
- Correspondence / Announcements
  - a) Training Notices: <a href="http://www.dhses.ny.gov/training/">http://www.dhses.ny.gov/training/</a>
  - b) **County LEPC Survey-**Survey asking specific questions about County Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is requesting information from the states to evaluate the overall health of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA).
  - c) E-Plan 2021 Online filing notice Attachment

#### **Old Business**

- 1) Committee Updates:
  - a) Public Safety Would like to have a meeting on January 13, 2022 to discuss EPCRA and coordinating the RMP requirements (Pam Rexer, Patrick Dewing, Mike Heide and any other interested members)
  - b) **Health, Human and Animal Needs** 11/18/21 Zoom Meeting; Recording available
- County Wide Radio Project Status/Progress Projected to be in place end of 2022; Testing in Spring/2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2022
- 3) Drills and Training 2021
  - December 2nd 2 hour virtual training on Emergency Management, Access and Functional Needs Disability Awareness

## **New Business**

- 4) Update on COVID 19 (Corona Virus) -Mike Bender/Ray Serowick
  - County Status on increasing infection rates
  - Vaccination Booster Status of Broome County
  - Hospital restrictions?
  - Mask Mandate
- **5) 2022 Meetings:** 
  - a. Put notice in italics on LEPC website and Facebook that due to Corona Virus all meetings are currently virtual and to contact Emergency Services for contact information
    - Also needs to be part of Legal Ad Posting in Press& Sun-Bulletin.
  - b. In Person meetings *when authorized* will be at Public Safety Building Lunch to be provided at 12:30, Meeting to begin at 1:00
  - c. Meeting Dates for 2022 (Legal Ad to be placed):

February 17

April 21

June 16

August 18

October 20

December 15

#### 6) Election of Officers for 2022

Current Officers in 2021 are:

- Chairperson Pamela Rexer
- Vice-Chair Mike Bender
- Recorder Patrick Dewing

Proposed Officers for 2022:

- Chairperson Pamela Rexer
- Vice-Chair Michael Bender
- Recorder Joyce Collier

Motion: Garrick, Second Kim 13:25. Motion passed

## 7) Topics/Presentations for future meetings

- February 2022: State Rep to review EPCRA and Tier 2 requirements
- April 2022: Federal Dept. of Homeland Security to present on CFATS and CISA
- Ideas and Suggestions for remaining 4 meetings would like a speaker on relevant topics at all meetings.

Next Meeting February 17, 2022 at Public Safety Facility (and Virtual) Committee Meetings January 13, 2022 (or alternate date as scheduled by committee chairs)

Motion to adjourn Patrick, second Garrick. Meeting ended at 13:31 hrs