Broome County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

LEPC MEETING MINUTES 8/18/2022

- Introduction of guests/new members
- Attendees: Joyce Collier, Joshua Nytch, Mike Heide, Kim Saunders, Bill Miller, Raymond Serowik, Tom McCartney, Michael Bender, Dave Adler, Jessie Sullivan, Pam Rexer, Cynthia McInerney, Callie Kavleski, Connor McCloskey
- Approval of minutes 6/16/22 Jessie Sullivan, second Michael Bender 1:01
- Correspondence/Announcements
 - a) Training Notices:
 - Attachment PDF document with OEM Training for Broome County
 - a. **DHSES LMS** New User Accounts Webforms: https://lmsportal-dhses.ny.gov/AcadisViewer/WebForms/Public/UserDataCollector.asp x?ID=1791af8a-0f7b-457d-addc-487f42916a22
 - b. Further details on all courses listed above as well as **registration** can be found on the <u>DHSES Learning Management System (LMS)</u>.
 - c. **Useful resources** including the DHSES LMS Student Guide and FAQ can be found on the <u>DHSES Webpage</u>.
 - The 2022 Chemical Security Summit will be held in person AND VIRTUALLY on August 23-25, 2022, in the National Capital Region.

 Chemical Security Summit | CISA to register

PRESENTATION:

Monkeypox: What it is and latest developments – Mike Bender, Health Department

Conduct table-tops with hospitals and BU

Have had one reported case in Broome County

Testing is available, with sway, need to have lesions to test.

If exposed you can receive vaccine

Will have vaccine clinics in the next few weeks will work w high risk population first BCDOH will reach out to populations most in need.

Old Business

- 1) Committee Updates:
 - a) Public Safety –Would like to have a meeting to discuss EPCRA and coordinating the RMP requirements (Pam Rexer, Patrick Dewing, Joyce Collier, Mike Heide and any other interested members)

Facility up for renewal, expected meeting after that

b) Health, Human and Animal Needs:

EMS still undermanned, staffing challenges and increased demand, EDs are full, staffing issues at nursing homes are causing a backup.

State assembly members are involved and bringing a light to it.

Meeting yesterday to stand up a regional crisis response team

A lot of both substances involved and not substance involved crises

Social services- staffing issues. Biggest issue is the homeless. Temporary emergency housing is getting limited, having trouble affordable housing. Concerned about the winter and discussing different strategies.

Rabies is in full swing.

- 2) Drills and Training Schedule 2022
 - a. Speidie Fest
 - b. Air Show
- 3) **COVID 19 and Variants Update (Corona Virus)** –Mike Bender/Ray Serowick Bender- its still around. Approx. 30-50/day (most self-reporting) 2nd booster- 50 and older, and high risk are eligible

New Business

- 4) Topics/Presentations for future meetings
 - Ideas and Suggestions for remaining meetings would like a speaker on relevant topics at all meetings.
 - a. Possibly NWS, Dave?
 - **b.** Events: upcoming: Dicks Sporting Goods Open, LUMA fest. Past: Spiedie Fest. Went well despite the heat.
- 5) Are we ready to go back to In-Person meetings (with Zoom Option still available)?

Adjourn: Josh, second Joyce 2:08

Next Meeting October 20, 2022 at Public Safety Facility (and Virtual) Committee Meetings September 15, 2022 (or alternate date as scheduled by committee chairs)