



CUSTER COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

October 17, 2018

Custer County LEPC met in the Patrick Center at the Custer County Fairgrounds. The meeting was called to order by Michael Galloway, LEPC Chairman at 10:00 a.m. Sign in sheets were placed at the entrance to the meeting for all to sign.

Mr. Galloway began the meeting by having attendees introduce themselves and state the organization being represented.

Mr. Galloway presented information to the LEPC members regarding the wellsite blowout at Hammon, OK which occurred October 16, 2018. The Archer 3-5H on County Road 960, one mile east of Hammon and one mile south of the casino had a valve break which allowed gas leakage and condensate spillage into a dry creek bed. CUDD shut in the well at approximately 9:00 a.m. on October 17, 2018. Local fire departments and Custer County District #3 informed residents in the area of the incident and they were given the option of evacuating. Highways 34 and 33 remained open. The Oklahoma Corporation Commission, DEQ, and Oklahoma Emergency Management were all notified. Hammon Fire, Elk City Fire, Butler Fire and Weatherford Fire were monitoring the situation.

Rebecca Villa-Winsett, Local Emergency Response Coordinator for the Health Department asked about notification to the Health Department and Mr. Galloway stated that the notification was posted on Web EOC. The Corporation Commission was in charge of notifications.

Mr. Galloway reminded the members of the upcoming Earth Wind and Fire Exercise to be held on November 15, 2018. This is a Full Scale EOC Exercise at the Weatherford Fire Department, 216 N. Kansas, Weatherford, OK. This exercise is being held at Weatherford Fire's training room which holds 35 - 40 people. Region 1 is hosting this training. Mr. Galloway would like to see one or two people from each ESF from the EOP and needs active participants. This Exercise is starting out as a Regional Exercise, but could grow into a Federal Exercise which would entail moving the EOC to a larger venue. This will help with coordination of resources. Lunch will be provided by PSO and there will be an orientation prior to the kickoff of the Exercise. Health will be adding the Incident Planning to its Health Incident Action Plan.

Mr. Galloway updated the LEPC regarding Custer County's EOP being prepared by SWODA. Mr. Galloway is working on the ESF#2 Communications for County EOP. Radio communications are being converted from analog to digital. Without the upgraded equipment, departments will not be able to communicate with each other. Still a need for additional Repeaters.

Mr. Galloway stated the 2017 Hazard Mitigation Plan for Custer County was approved by FEMA in December, 2017. Projects being worked on currently are installation of generators to the Custer County Health Department buildings located in Clinton and Weatherford, OK. The Health Department is purchasing the generators from State Contract and paying for them and the installation costs. Mr. Galloway will be reimbursing for 75% with FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grants funds.

The FMAG (Fire Management Assistance Grant) for the Rhea Fire event in April, 2018 is still being worked on. Mr. Galloway is still needing paperwork - documentation of man/equipment hours from some of the Custer County Fire Departments.

Mr. Galloway turned the remainder of the LEPC meeting over to Rebecca Villa-Winsett, Local Emergency Response Coordinator. Ms. Winsett gave each member a handout folder which included the Emergency Preparedness Contact Form and the Memorandum of Agreement for completion. These forms were completed and signed at the meeting and returned to Ms. Winsett. Ms. Winsett discussed a LERC and its role in the EOP ESF#8. Discussion of the Quarterly Recall Exercise which now consists of a telephone call from the Oklahoma Department of Health with a requested call back within one hour. 75% response is needed and Ms. Winsett stated the response that she is getting is below this number. ODH is preparing to do this Exercise through Text as well. Response can be done by Text when this is implemented. In 2019, there will be exercises setting up a Point of Dispensing (POD). A Public Health Full Scale Exercise is set for October 8, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

/s/Michael Galloway LEPC Chair

The meeting dates for 2019 are as follows: January 16th, April 17th, July 17th, and October 16th. If you cannot attend, please send a representative.