

**Homestead LEPC**  
**June 7, 2018**  
**Homestead Monument Education Center – Beatrice**

**Minutes:**

**Attending**

Jim Dunker	Colt Farringer	Jim Hayes	Janet Henning
Patrick Hoins	Patricia Hurd	Barry Jung	Jill Kuzelka
Mark Meints	David Niemeier	Doug Salmon	Lisa Wiegand

**1. Call to Order**

The Meeting of the Homestead LEPC was called to order by the Chair James Dunker. He stated that the meeting was being conducted in accord with the open meeting act after proper public notice.

**2. Roll Call**

All in attendance were asked to sign the sign-in sheet.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Janet Henning moved and Jim Hayes seconded that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion #1 carried unanimously.

**4. Reception of Visitors**

Others in attendance were Alyson Gottula, Johnson/Pawnee EMA; Mike Morgan, M&M Specialty Services; and Mike Moritz, National Weather Service.

**5. Applications for Membership**

A new member application has been received from Darwin Dykes, Reinke Manufacturing; and Colt Farringer, Thayer County Emergency Management. Also a renewal application has been received from Mark Jobman, Beatrice Community Hospital. A motion was made by Mark Meints, seconded by Patricia Hurd, to accept the applications. Motion #2 passed unanimously.

**6. Minutes of the Last Meeting**

David Niemeier moved and Barry Jung seconded to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2018 meeting. Motion #3 passed unanimously.

**7. Financial Report and Claims**

The claims that were paid since the last meeting were included in the meeting packet. A motion was made by Janet Henning, seconded by Jim Hayes to approve the claims. Motion #4 passed unanimously.

**8. Reports of Information Coordinators**

- A. Jim Dunker, Fillmore County – Weather has not been an issue. There have been the usual EMS runs for lift assist. Attended a training with Monsanto and Pioneer Seed showing the decon trailer that could be used during corn detasseling. Jim is looking at the possibility of using one of Fillmore County trailers for this purpose.
- B. Lisa Wiegand, Gage County – The southern part of Gage County did have a severe storm that caused hail and wind damage. There was a truck that had a hazardous waste spill that did require clean-up. Training at BCH to do an evacuation drill with Mosaic. Magellan pipe line will be doing a table top exercise. The siren batteries are being replaced. Also education on the fact that these are for outdoor alerts. The fairs are sponsoring a youth safety program for youth that enter an emergency first aid kit. There is additional funding available, up to \$75,000, through FEMA for non-profits to help fund security enhancements. Beatrice Rural Fire Department has lost one of their dedicated volunteers who was also involved in a lot of organizations within the community.
- C. John McKee, Jefferson & Saline Counties – Jefferson County - - There was a tornado warning with multiple reports of touchdowns across the southern part of the county from that same cell. There were no reports of damage. There was an anhydrous leak at Loveland Products from a relief valve on a

30,000 gallon storage tank. The leak was stopped with no injuries. Saline County - - Received a call that Crete Core Ingredients had anhydrous released into the air of more than 100 pounds. Their in-house team was able to contain and stop the leak with no injuries.

- D. Colt Farringer, Thayer County – Colt began the position on June 1. There was a brief touch down northeast of Chester with no damage reported. The Cattleman’s Ball was in Thayer County. There was a response for one possible stroke and one allergic reaction. He is trying to reach out and contact people in charge of the ball to encourage them to begin using ICS system. They currently don’t use the system and it did cause some issues during the event.

### **9. Training / Education Presentation**

Mike Morgan of M&M Specialty Services gave a presentation on Aluminum Phosphide Fumigant which is a restricted use product. This is used in the grain bins. He talked about the exposure risk during the process. This could pose a risk to the first responders if they would ever need to go into the area. Elevator Managers should be encouraged to notify local emergency responders before fumigating. There are gas monitors that should be used to monitor the level during the process. It was suggested that this would be a good topic to present at the Mutual Aid Training that is planned for August 11, 2018 in Blue Springs.

Mike Moritz from the National Weather Service out of Hastings gave a presentation. He showed the importance of the impact of weather during a hazmat event. There is a need to include NWS during an event. This can be difficult as quite often even Emergency Managers aren’t notified. It is important to hold off on media until a consistent message is designed. There can be a lot of misinformation put out through social media.

### **10. Training / Education for September 2018**

Jim Dunker is working with Tim McDermott for a possible presentation.

### **11. Public Comments**

Mark Meints will send the Mutual Aid training information to Sonya who will send it out to all the LEPC members.

### **12. Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting will be held Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. at the Homestead National Monument Education Center.

### **13. Adjournment**

A motion for adjournment was made by Lisa Wiegand, seconded by Patrick Hoins. Motion #5 passed unanimously.