

New River Valley Regional LEPC

February 27, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Montgomery County Government Center

I. The meeting was opened at 10:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Neal Turner.

II. Standing Items

a. Hazmat Incidents

i. Neal Turner (Montgomery County) provided an overview of Hazmat incidents on the I-81 corridor, including a 100+ gallon diesel fuel spill at mm 109 southbound rest area. Cedar Hill assisted in the clean-up of this incident. He also reported on a 150+ gallon diesel fuel spill at mm 126.5 northbound. VDOT assisted in clean-up during heavy rain and ice.

b. Educational Needs and Offerings

i. NSPA continues to provide training opportunities including NSPA Boot Camp (ongoing), Civil Rest Preparedness at the February Coalition Meeting (February 22, 2018, 2-3:30 p.m.), ICS 400 on March 12-13 in Roanoke, and ICS 300 on April 18-20 in Salem. Registration information can be found in the NSPA weekly situational brief and on the web at <http://nspa1.org>.

ii. Virginia Department of Health is hosting Emergency Preparedness Exercise Design Fundamentals for CMS Providers on May 23 in Roanoke. (See attached flyer for registration information.)

iii. Stop the Bleed training is rolling out across the New River Valley, supported by local EMS agencies and at Virginia Tech. Mike Garnett provided a brief overview for all participants before providing the training at the end of the meeting.

c. May Meeting Host

i. Kevin Sands offered to host the May meeting at the Village Center at Warm Hearth.

III. Old Business

a. Work groups developed from the 2017 tabletop exercise at Radford University presented updates on progress made.

i. Bobby Parker and Stephen Owen provided an overview of the Public Information group meeting. The meeting brought many types of communicators together to discuss information sharing topics and to build relationships within the public information arena. Minutes were provided by Stephen Owen. (See attached for more information).

ii. Tanya Hockett provided an overview of discussions by the Resource Allocation work group. Participants in the group were working on defining what, if any, measures can be taken to support resource allocation across the region before an emergency.

- iii. Matt Hobson provided an overview of the Responder Communication work group. A radio subcommittee was established in November 2017 to identify and address possible improvements to public safety radio communications. (See attached memo for more information.)

IV. New Business

- a. Tanya Hockett is now the Secretary for the NRVLEPC.
- b. Christiansburg Fire Chief Billy Hanks was recognized for his award as Volunteer Fire Chief of the Year, an award he received at the annual Virginia Fire and Rescue Conference.
- c. All members who were interested and able were invited to stay for “Stop the Bleed” training, provided by Mike Garnett after the meeting.

V. Adjourn

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m. for training.
- b. The next meeting will be held May 15, 2018 at the Village Center at Warm Hearth from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.