

MINUTES
HARVEY COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
McKinley Administrative Center
308 E. 1st, Newton, KS
June 12th, 2019 @ 9:00 am

Present: Gina Bell, Russ Buller, Robert Carlton, Skip Cowan, Gary Denny, Craig Dunlavy, Kesa Easter, Marianne Eichelberger, Bryan Ellis, Chad Gay, Deborah Hamm, Kyle McCaskey, Scott Metzler, Jim Meier, Emily Newhouse, Tina Payne, Lynnette Redington, Steve Roberson, Chip Westfall, Mike Ginal, Cory Lehman, Donna Williams

1. Gary Denny called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. due to the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair.
2. Gary Denny asked for a motion to approve June 12, 2019 agenda. Scott Metzler made the motion seconded by Russ Buller, agenda approved. Gary Denny asked for a motion to approve the April 10, 2019 minutes. Marianne Eichelberger made the motion seconded by Skip Cowan, minutes approved.
3. Old Business
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4. New Business

Speaker: Mike Ginal, Newton Plant Manager, from Ardent Mills. Mike said that Ardent Mills began as Goerz Flour Mill in 1917 and went through changes in 1936, 1974, and then finally in 2014 they joined ConAgra to create Ardent Milling. Ardent Milling has 40 plants that produce over 12 billion pounds of flour and feed per year. The Newton facility consists of 3 elevators, a mill pack warehouse, and offices. They employ 70 personnel. Total capacity is 3.5M bushels and they receive wheat from 300 local producers and can process 400 truckloads a day. The processing consists of 800,000 pounds of flour and 300,000 pounds of feed per day. The Newton facility packages over 50% of "Private Label Retail Flour" to the U.S. market.

Chemicals located on site consist of Phosphine pellets that are used as a fumigant, Diesel fuel for generators, and small quantity of Sulfuric Acid. Safety features include over 200 safety sensors located throughout the facility. Fire/EMS has key access to the building in case of an emergency. The facility also has operators on site 24/7/365.

ESF 7- Logistics Management and Resource Support: Gary started the presentation off by simulating the need to "bake a cake." He asked attendees to list the ingredients and supplies needed. He then asked them where they would get/purchase those items if not on hand. This activity led into the discussion of ESF-7 and the purpose. Emergency Management is the coordinating agency for ESF-7. Bryan then gave a demonstration on WebEOC and the Comprehensive Resource Management and Credentialing System (CRMCS) and how they tie into ESF-7.

Election for Vice-Chair: Gary explained the position of Vice-Chair is currently vacant as Ed Patton is not able to fulfil his obligation for the remainder of the term. Due to the absence of the Chair, Gary asked that this item be moved to the next meeting.

5. Upcoming Training Opportunities

The next PIO Working group meeting is July 17th. Information will be sent out with the location once that is determined.

Trauma Training – STAR – is scheduled for June 24th & 25th. Contact Lynnette Redington for more information.

Mental Health First Aid classes will be offered in July and August. Contact Lynnette Redington for more information.

6. Next meeting will be August 14, 2019 @ 9:00 a.m.

7. Gary Denny asked for a motion to adjourn the June 12, 2019 meeting. Scott Metzler made the motion seconded by Chip Westfall. Meeting adjourned.