



Minutes of Regular Meeting

Thursday, April 12, 2018 09:00 a.m.
Yuma County Public Health Auditorium
2200 West 28th Street, Yuma AZ 85364

A regular meeting of the Local Emergency Planning Committee (“*LEPC*”, “*Committee*”) of Yuma County, was held and duly called to order at 09:00 am by LEPC Chairman Michael Erfert. Recording of official minutes is Lynn Harlow-Smith *and minutes completed by Tony Badilla.*

Roll call (Self Introductions were made around the table)

Members Present:

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| Tony Badilla, Yuma County OEM, Group 2 | Louis Carlos, Somerton Fire Dept., Group 2 |
| Shirley Dalton, YACS, Group 4 | Paul DeAnda Somerton Fire Dept., Group 2 |
| Jeff Denman, Citizen, Group 4 | Gary Elk, Western Precooling Systems Group 5 |
| Michael Erfert, YFD, Group 2 | Michael Fila, Cocopah Indian Tribe OEM, Group 2 |
| Chris Flores, Yuma County OEM, Group 2 | Manuel Hernandez, City of Yuma, Group 2 |
| Robert Oberolser, YCSO, Group 2 | Cori Schultz, Rural Metro Fire, Group 2 |
| Darren Simmons, YCBOS, Group 2 | David Slade, Yuma Cogeneration Associates, Group 5 |
| Joseph Waterford, Yuma County PHEP, Group 2 | |

Meeting guests were introduced:

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| Carol Brown, Helping Hands of Yuma | Lynn Harlow-Smith, YCPHEP |
| Jaime Hernandez, ADEQ | Estella Marin, Student, ASU |
| Gary McCurley, Kinder Morgan | Patty Michael, Land O’Lakes |
| Eli Rivas, American Red Cross | Reynaldo Rivera, Rural Metro Fire |
| John Smith, AZDPS | Tito Valenzuela, Inhance Technologies |
| Sam Yarbrough, YACS | |

Full quorum was present. Chair then declares the meeting rightfully assembled and ready to proceed with business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 8, 2018 copies of minutes were distributed and individually reviewed by the committee. A request was made by Chairman Michael Erfert –Motion to approve by Paul DeAnda and second by Chris Flores. All in favor, none opposed.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS

Chairman Michael Erfert reviewed membership status for renewals and determined that there are no memberships up for renewal for this meeting. New Membership for Lynn Smith Group 2 and Joseph Waterford Group 2 both from Yuma County Public Health Emergency Preparedness- Motion to approve by Manuel Hernandez and second by Chris Flores. All in favor.

CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Chairman Michael Erfert reported on Yuma Area Ammonia Safety Days held in Yuma on February 22, 2018 had a total of 287 in attendance, 16, safety agencies, 72 first responders, 160 industry personnel and 39 exhibitors. This year’s attendance was one of the largest in recent years. Ammonia Safety Days is a sort of sub-committee of LEPC and fills an important part of the committee purpose by providing training to the industry that deals with hazardous materials. It was a very successful event with great leadership and training. The program planned for around 250 in attendance so the overall attendance was exceeded this year and continues to grow.

The week of April 15th a national conference from NASTTPO will be held in Oklahoma City, OK and will discuss best practices of LEPC groups around the country. The Yuma County website under public meeting postings has a paragraph which describes the group’s purpose.

The Yuma County Local Emergency Planning Committee provides a forum for Emergency Management, First Responders, Community Industries, and Citizens to engage and provide information about chemicals and potential risks to the community, develop emergency plans in the event of an accidental release and look at ways to prevent chemical accidents.

Please keep this definition in mind and restrict ourselves from utilizing these meetings as a general bulletin board of community happenings, and remain focused on purpose of preventing, planning and providing information on chemical risks.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasurer is not present, Chris Flores made the report. The HMEP grant was awarded at \$12,500.00

Expenditures include:	\$5,000.00	Yuma Area Ammonia Days
	\$1,500.00	MJHMP Plan
	\$6,000.00	NASTTPO Conference

COORDINATORS REPORT:

Coordinator is not present, Chris Flores made the report. Emergency Response Fund Equipment is being gathered for all the different areas; i.e. Somerton, San Luis, Yuma Fire, etc. Once equipment is put together ADEQ will bring it down.

PRESENTATION: ADEQ

Jaime Hernandez, Community Liaison for ADEQ gave a presentation on the ADEQ organizational structure, the role of the Community Liaison, and how the emergency response intersects and merges with the Community Liaison.

GOOD OF THE ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Michael Erfert-Recently a group of HAZMAT Technicians graduated from a 5 week 200 hr. course. Of the 13 technicians 10-11 were local. The course is set up through Yuma County Office of Emergency Management and AZDEMA. This demonstrates that new talent is consistently being brought into the community.

Manuel Hernandez-The City of Yuma has a Hazardous Waste Certification course which provides training and certification in dealing with hazardous waste. The course is free—with one caveat, you are required to work on the Hazardous Waste Saturday in order for the city to recoup the cost of the course.

Mike Fila, Cocopah Tribe; the tribe has been awarded a Hazmat trailer which is currently being built. A part of the award will be additional training on how to use the trailer. More information to follow on possible training opportunities.

During September or October the Cocopah Tribe will conduct a commodities study to determine the types of commodities that are traveling through the area.

City of Yuma held Hazardous Waste Day on April 7, 2018. Over 42 volunteers participated. There were over 450 cars in a 4 hour period that dropped off:

- 350 gallons of old oil
- 110 gallons of anti-freeze
- 550 gallons of paint
- 165 gallons of miscellaneous flammables
- 102 tires
- Electronic items that filled a 40 yard dumpster
- 2 tons of regular trash
- 6 yards of regular recyclables

Next event will be held on July 14th with time to be determined (due to heat)

Next Friday, 4/20/18 a Spanish Only HazCom training will be held in San Luis at 8:00 a.m.

ICS-300 will be offered June 19th-21st- Questions contact Chris Flores

Office of Emergency Management's secretary is no longer working for the county. In the interim, if you have questions please contact Chris Flores.

OLD BUSINESS-

None

CALL TO THE PUBLIC-

None

ADJOURN

Upon motion by Manual Hernandez and seconded by Chris Flores there being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 14, 2018, at Yuma County Public Health Auditorium, 2200 W. 28th Street, Yuma, Arizona 85364 at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Badilla, Director, Yuma County OEM