

Rockingham County Local Emergency Planning Committee
Rockingham Community College
July 13th, 2011

Members Present: 22 members present. Doug Vick – Miller Coors, Lisa King – RCC, Rodney Stewart – RCEMS, Steve Hale – Retired, Kevin Eason – Reidsville Public Works, Drew Lucas – Miller Coors, Mike Lozaw – Miller Coors, Grady Paschal – Miller Coors, Todd Harden – Eden FD, Melinda Ward – City of Eden, Dena Reid – City of Eden Water Plant, Tommy Underwood – Eden FD, Bob Jones – RCPH, Ken Gusler – Commonwealth Brands, Aisha Gwynn – American Red Cross, Brenda Sutton – Cooperative Extension, Robert Cardwell – RCFMO, Jay Brooks, RCFMO, Felissa Ferrell, RCDSS, Gary Wilkins – Piedmont Natural Gas, Tyres Tatum – NCEM, Christina Law – NCDA&CS Emergency Programs

The meeting was called to order by Doug Vick, President at 9:05 a.m.

Minutes of the April 13, 2011 meeting were approved as presented

Training Update:

- Miller Coors- Dec 2nd or 9th LP Burn
- S. Hale – exercise in May: 3 county exercise went well, Sheriff Office targeted. Full scale
- S. Hale – Skywarn class went well and well attended.
- ICS 400 at RFD
- EM Forum in Greensboro at UNC-G Aug. 3rd
- Issues around 300 & 400 ics certifications, entering for the state.

Emergency Management Report:

- Tyres Tatum – Grant funding is getting less and less
- TERMS – one county rep.
- S. Hale – Community Colleges are requiring that a class be part of your job to be fee exempt.
- L. King spoke on this from RCC side.
- Transfer switches for shelters have been completed.
- Code Red – Health Dept moving forward
- Special Needs Shelters: F. Ferrell; the transfer switch has been installed at the UMAR site. 2 special need sites now available.

New Business:

- G. Paschal – consolidation of community colleges. L. King spoke for RCC. RCC not sure but doesn't want to do it. Any community college with less than a 3,000 student enrollment.

- S. Hale, the state is requesting 911 centers to consolidate. Rockingham Co. has 3 (Reidsville, Eden, & County). A grant has been submitted to bring all 3 together and to a new standard. Should hear something in Sept or Oct on grant.
- Viper System – T. Underwood: when storm come through the county the Viper system get busy and hard to communicate.
- S. Hale – switches would need to be installed
- County needs for EMS coverage; R Stewart – reason is no trucks. Adding 1 fulltime BLS truck, adding 4 people for BLS and 4 people for 12hr shifts, adding ATO position. Eden base going to 12 hour shifts.
- 3 private convalescent providers put in to work in the county. Possible helicopter from Baptist to be housed at Shiloh Airport.
- S. Hale – is the chair for the American Red Cross; there are changes coming and Steve may need signatures to help stop some of these changes. Consolidation of chapter of the Red Cross. Steve needs support from LEPC. D. Lucas motion 2nd G. Pascal – voted and approved
- R. Cardwell – Fire Service update – request has been made for personnel for the Wildland fire down east. Personnel must meet qualifications
- Madison Rescue will receive ne fire/rescue boat.
- ISO ratings several department are or has been re-rated to lower their ISO rating

Other Business:

Miller Coors had an ammonia leak; ERT on-site handled.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 12th, 2011 @ 9am at Eden City Hall (Eden Room)

Motion to adjourn; S. Hale 2nd by:
 Ended 9:58

Respectfully Submitted:

Jay Brooks