



## Meeting Minutes

August 9, 2012

### Call To Order

Bud Melder called to order the regular meeting of the LEPC on **August 9, 2012** at 11:06 a.m. at 2015 Sens Road, La Porte, Texas.

### Introductions

Introductions were made around the room. View the attendance list @ [www.laportelepc.org](http://www.laportelepc.org).

### Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

A motion by Sheriff Rick Anorga was made to accept the **July 12, 2012** meeting minutes. Gene Contreras, Nissan Chemical, seconded the motion. A vote was taken; Motion carried.

### Reports

#### a) Emergency Communications – Jeff Suggs not present

##### 1. Incidents

- a. OxyVinyls VCM: Tim Lancelin reported a Level II release of vinyl chloride that occurred on 8/3/12; no offsite impact; the incident was isolated very quickly; fence line monitoring was conducted.
- b. Sun Products: An incident occurred on 7/24/12 that was mistakenly reported as a Level III; it was downgraded to a Level I; additional training on E-Notify will be conducted for personnel
- c. Lubrizol: Level I Incident - A sphere of boron tri-fluoride leaked. The sphere was off-loaded without incident – no offsite impact; HazMat team was activated; there was good cooperation between the company and supplier to resolve the problem

##### 2. Reverse Drills

- a. 7/11/12 – Dow; no issues
- b. 7/18/12 – ER Carpenter: No response; issues with E-Notify; Dan reminded members to contact him if they experience technical issues with E-Notify
- c. 7/26/12 – EVALCA: No response
- d. 8/1/12 – INVISTA: Not able to perform test; issues with City computer
- e. 8/8/12 – Test went well; no all clear was issued

**b) Emergency Response & Resources** – Tim Mann reported the Committee is working on the LEPC drill which will be coordinated with the CIMA Zone 4 drill scheduled for November 15, 2012.

**c) Hazardous Materials Facility Liaison** – Mark Diamond reported the Committee is looking through the Tier II Reports to see which facilities are not participating in the LEPC; The City of La Porte received a grant to hold a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day, which will be held on April 6, 2013. The City is looking for volunteers to support the event that are HAZWOPER certified. Anyone who is able to volunteer should contact Mark.

**d) Planning** – Don Price; no report at this time. This Committee is in need of additional members and assistance developing new projects.

**e) Public Education & Information** – Kristin Gauthier reported the Summer Safety Camp took place on July 28<sup>th</sup>. The La Porte Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association performed the Wally Wise Program and assisted with activities throughout the camp. Their support is greatly appreciated. The Committee needs volunteers to work the LEPC booth at the Safety Fair. A sign up sheet will be available at the next meeting.

**f) Treasurer's Report** - Balance as of July 31, 2012 is \$84,859.60. Receipts/Deposits of \$700 for 2 member contributions. Disbursements of \$617.05 to include \$18.90 for lunch, \$183.27 for the Safety Fair, \$414.88 for the Summer Safety Camp.

**g) Safety Fair**- Kristin Gauthier announced the Safety Fair is scheduled for September 22, 2012 (9:00 – 1:00). Registration forms are available. Still need donations and door prizes.

## **Old Business**

- a) CAER Line change is set to go live by November 1, 2012. New number will be (855.855.2237). Current message will be replaced to state current number is no longer in effect and will refer to new number.
- b) Dan Heiken announced the changes that were discussed at the last meeting have been implemented.
- c) The 2013 Budget Proposal was presented at the July meeting. Lisa Boozer, DuPont, made a motion to accept the 2013 LEPC Budget; Gene Contreras, Nissan Chemical, seconded the motion. A vote was taken; one member opposed; Motion carried.

## **New Business**

- a) Jeff Grimes, PPG, gave a presentation on PPG.
- b) Holland Jordan, Director of ChemStewards, Society of Chemical Manufacturers & Affiliates (SOCMA), provided a presentation on SOCMA. Mr. Jordan also provided lunch for the meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made and passed. Meeting adjourned @ 12:00 p.m.

BM: kmg

### **2012 Monthly membership meetings:**

September 13  
October 11  
November 8  
December 13