

**MONTGOMERY/GREENE COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE COUNCIL**

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MINUTES OF MEETING

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2001
MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
THIRD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM – 40 WEST FOURTH CENTRE
DAYTON, OHIO 45402**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Bauer - Southwestern Portland Cement
Patricia Bernitt - Greater Dayton Area Hospital Assn.
Gary Caprarotta - MV Emergency Mgmt. Authority
Cynette Cavaliere - General Motors/DELPHI
Jeffrey Cooper - Reg. Air Pollution Control Agency
(Alt. For James Gross)
Angie Duvall – Cargill, Inc.
Ernie Hudson - Amateur Radio Emergency Services
(Alt. For Ron Moorefield)
Ed Kovar - Miami Valley Emergency Mgmt. Authority
Ken LeBlanc - Miami Valley Regional Planning Comm.
(Alt. for Nora Lake)
Pete Lane - OSU Extension – Montgomery County
Jim Lawrence - MV Regional Transit Authority
(Alt. For Otis Stanaford)
Kimberly Mason - Greene Co. Public Works
(Alt. For Tim Denger)
Jim Neary - Montgomery Co. Fire Chiefs
Fran O'Shaughnessy – American Red Cross- Dayton
J. Michael Phillips - Mont. Co. Comb. Health District
Gavine Pitner - League of Women Voters
Jerry Rapp - A. E. Staley
John Schlomer - Montgomery Co. Commissioners
(Alt. For Vicki Pegg)
Andrew Steele - Dayton Fire Department
(Alt. For Lester Flohr)
Chris Tumbusch – WPAFB
Nancy Wilson - WHIO/WHKO Radio
Donna Winchester – Dayton Water Department
Frank Clay – Sinclair Community College
(Alt. For Jennifer Wise)
Doug Zink - Montgomery County Township Assn.

ALTERNATE WITH MEMBER PRESENT

Michele Jones – Dayton Water Department

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Tim Ballard - Mont. Co. Sanitary Engineering
T. Shawn Campbell – Greene County Commissioners
Col. Keith Chandler – WPAFB Bioenvironmental
Jeffrey DeVoe - Greene Co. Law Enforcement Assn.
Beth Lackey – Greene Co. Health Department.
Jerry Mahan– OSU Extension – Greene County
J. Michael Phillips – Mont. Co. Combined Health
District
David Price - Greene County Fire Chief's Association
Tim Reichard - Ashland Chemical
Billy Ring - Dayton Regional Haz/Mat
Aaron Smith – ChemFirst Fine Chemicals, Inc.
Bruce Sucher - Dayton Area Managers Network
Dave Vore - Montgomery Co. Police Chiefs Assn.
Loretta Williams – American Red Cross – Greene Co.

NONMEMBERS PRESENT

Jeff Busch – Montgomery Co. Police Chiefs Assn.
Joe Henderson - MVRPC
Horton Hobbs IV - MVRPC
Dennis McCloskey – FEMA
Phil Mielke - MVRPC
Jim Napier - MVRTA

I. **Call to Order:** Ms. Bernitt called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. She noted a quorum was present.

II. **Introductions:** Ms. Bernitt asked everyone in attendance to introduce themselves.

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III. **Approval of October 27, 2000 Meeting Minutes:** Mr. Neary moved, seconded by Mr. Rapp, that the minutes of the October 27, 2000 quarterly meeting be approved as submitted. The motion was unanimously approved (24-0-0).

IV. **Election of Officers:** Since the by-laws call for the Vice-Chair to rotate to chair each year, Ms. Winchester is MGCLERC Chair for 2001. Mr. Schlomer said that the nominating committee recommends Ms. Duvall as the Vice-Chairperson. Mr. Bauer moved to close the nomination, seconded by Mr. LeBlanc. The motion was unanimously approved (24-0-0).

Ms. Bernitt explained that Mr. Bauer has agreed to remain Secretary. Ms. Winchester moved to close the nomination, seconded by Mr. LeBlanc. The motion was unanimously approved (24-0-0).

V. **Appointment of Coordinators:** Ms. Bernitt explained that Mr. LeBlanc has agreed to remain Information Coordinator. Mr. Bauer moved to close the nomination, seconded by Mr. Caprarotta. The motion was unanimously approved (24-0-0).

Mr. Kovar explained that a Haz-Mat Coordinator has not been hired to date and that that person has typically been the Community Emergency Coordinator. Mr. LeBlanc said that there should be an intervening Community Emergency Coordinator. Mr. Caprarotta volunteered until a Haz-Mat Coordinator has been named. Ms. Cavaliere moved to close the nomination, seconded by Mr. Kovar. The motion was unanimously approved (24-0-0).

VI. **Submission of 2001 SERC Grant:** Mr. LeBlanc explained that the membership must pass a resolution to submit our grant application to SERC. The Grant allocation this year will be approximately the same as last year. There will be about \$79,000 for the LEPC and \$4,000 for fire department training. Mr. Kovar moved, seconded by Mr. Neary, that submission of the 2001 SERC Grant is approved as presented. The motion was unanimously approved (24-0-0).

VII. **Review of MGCLERC By-laws:** Mr. LeBlanc said the State has asked us to review the MGCLERC By-laws. Mr. LeBlanc said Mr. Reichard volunteered.

VIII. **Compliance/Enforcement Committee Report:** Mr. Caprarotta noted during the last quarter there were no actions taken, however, there were 11 releases reported, most of which were fuel-related. The largest spill was 75 gallons. Mr. Caprarotta added that he had a report on the next exercise due by June 30, 2001. He talked to the Montgomery County Fire Chiefs about the need for the exercise. At the meeting, it was decided that in an effort to consolidate multi-jurisdictional exercises there would be a joint exercise on Saturday, June 2, 2001 with the Dayton International Airport, the Disaster Medical Assistance Team, MVEMA, and MGCLERC. The objectives will be initial public alert and notification, emergency public information, traffic and access control, congregate care, and medical services. Mr. Caprarotta noted that volunteers are needed and can contact MVEMA.

In addition, Mr. Caprarotta mentioned that the week of January 28, 2001, MVEMA, the Miami Conservancy District and Wellfield Protection are sponsoring a three-day Flood Fighting Conference at the Kettering Building next to the Engineer's Club. The Conference will discuss

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Haz-Mat facilities located in wellfields.

IX. Website Report – www.mgclerc.org: Mr. Hobbs reminded the membership that the March 1, 2001 Facility Reporting deadline is quickly approaching. He said that the Reporting Manuals are available on the website. The website has had approximately 650 visits to the site to date. He added that a calendar has been added to the website to keep the membership abreast of important dates. Ms. Cavaliere asked if the minutes are added to the website after they are approved. Mr. Hobbs said that they were.

X. Information Coordinator's Report: Mr. LeBlanc noted that the facilities are beginning to report to the MGCLERC. He added that he spoke to a Dayton Business Journal reporter and he is trying to get a press release together to get more information out to the media.

XI. State Emergency Response Commission Report: Mr. LeBlanc explained that this is the last year the service stations will report. Consequently, the funding will decrease by approximately 30%. He added that he has been working with a SERC committee to figure out how to keep the program funded. There have been many proposals, including raising the reporting fees for remaining facilities, but no decisions have been made yet. He said there may be some questions, by the State, about what benefit LEPC's are bringing to local communities. Therefore, we may have to be prepared to justify our worth. Mr. LeBlanc reviewed the routine and non-routine activities performed by the MGCLERC. He feels that the non-routine (i.e., Hazardous Materials Truck Study, Commodity Flow Study, Haz-mat truck counts, education and outreach activities) would be the ones that would no longer be performed if there were funding cuts. The non-routine activities have been what sets MGCLERC apart from many of the other State's LEPC's. Mr. LeBlanc added that the facility database will be switched from CAMEO to Access.

XII. Other Business: Ms. Winchester stated Steve Renninger from USEPA will be at our next meeting. She also noted that the Valleycrest Landfill is a Superfund site. Copies of the City of Dayton's Wellfield Protection brochures containing information concerning the Valleycrest Landfill are available at the back table. Ms. Winchester noted that there will be a public meeting on February 7, 2001 at 7:00 PM at Stebbins High School to discuss the Haz-mat removal action. To date there have been 21,000 drums removed with approximately 10,000 drums left and there are currently 25,000 cubic yards of hazardous materials on-site. This is a large, hazardous site that is extremely expensive to clean up.

Ms. Bernitt extended her gratitude to Ed Kovar for his years of service to MGCLERC. Mr. Kovar thanked the membership. He will be retiring March 31, 2001.

Mr. McCloskey provided an update to the Fire Act.

XIII. Adjourn: Mr. Lane moved, seconded by Ms. Winchester, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:28 a.m. Motion unanimously passed 24-0-0.

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