

MONTGOMERY/GREENE COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 1997
MIAMI VALLEY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
4200 LAKE CENTER DRIVE
TROTWOOD, OHIO 45426
8:30 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Gerald Alcorn - Mont. Co. Fire Chiefs
Tim Ballard - Mont. Co. Sanitary Engineering
Robert Bauer - Southwestern Portland Cement
Patricia Bernitt - Greater Dayton Area Hospital Assn. Stewart
Cynette Cavalier - General Motors Corporation
(Alt. For Ed Wroblewski)
Jeffrey DeVoe - Greene County Law Enforcement Assn.
Michael Dickey - Montgomery County Police Chiefs Assn.
Lisa Ferrell - MVEMA
Chris Foster - Cargill
James W. Gross - Regional Air Pollution Control Agency
Karen Hawk - Greene County Sanitary Engineering
(Alt. For Tim Denger)
Douglas N. Johnson - Miami Conservancy District
Ed Kovar - Miami Valley Emergency Management Agency
Jim Lawrence - Regional Transit Authority
(Alt. For Otis Stanaford)
Ken LeBlanc - Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission
(Alt. For Nora Lake)
Donna Gorby-Lee - Dayton Water Department
(Alt. For Douglas Hall)
Robert Marshall - Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dennis McCloskey - Dayton Fire Department
Ron Moorefield - Amateur Radio Emergency Services
Jane O-Dell - Greene County Health Department
Kerry Onyett - American Red Cross - Dayton Area
Gavine Pitner - League of Women Voters
(Alt. For Carol Winslow)
David Price - Greene County Fire Chief's Association
Tim Reichard - Ashland Chemical
Billy Ring - Dayton Regional Haz/Mat
Ed Royer - Mont. Co. Agricultural Extension
(Alt. For Pete Lane)

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Jeanna Bailley - American Red Cross - Greene Co.
Wray Blattner - Thompson, Hine & Flory
T. Shawn Campbell - Greene County Commission
Hacker - Sierra Club - Tecumseh Council
Jerry Mahan - Greene Co. Agricultural Extension
Dennis Nagel - Buckeye Countrymark
Vicki Pegg - Montgomery Co. Commission
J. Michael Phillips - Mont. Co. Combined Health District
Beverly Priest - WKEF-TV Channel 22
Hope Robbins - Greene Memorial Hospital/HERO
Robert Sponseller - Fairborn Fire Dept.
Aaron Smith - Quality Chemicals
Bruce Sucher - Dayton Area Managers Network
Doug Zink - Montgomery County Township Assoc.

ALT. WITH MEMBERS PRESENT

Ernie Hudson - Amateur Radio Emergency Services
Barry Holbrook - Dayton Fire Department

NONMEMBERS PRESENT

Jason Bergquist - Haarman & Reimer
Christopher Brown - MVRPC
Scott Glum - MVRPC
Steven Schnell - MVRPC
Becky Sobel - Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Andrew Steele - Dayton Fire Department
Fred Stone - Greene Co. Amateur Radio

I. **Call to Order:** Chief Price, MGCLERC Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:38 a.m. He noted a quorum was present.

II. **Introductions:** Chief Price asked everyone in attendance to introduce themselves.

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III. **Approval of January 31, 1997 Meeting Minutes:** Mr. Gross moved, seconded by Mr. DeVoe, that the minutes of the January 31, 1997 quarterly meeting be approved as written. The motion was unanimously approved 24-0-0.

IV. **MGCLERC Fund Allocations:** Mr. LeBlanc explained the two action items regarding the MGCLERC fund allocations. The first action item was related to a supplement to the SERC grant award. The State did not receive a check from one of the major oil companies until after the awards to the LEPCs were made. The additional money was distributed to the LEPCs based upon their formula share of the grant. MGCLERC received an additional \$1,497.00. The Executive Committee recommends the additional amount be allocated to MVRPC, MVEMA, and authorized for training purposes in the same ratio as the remainder of the grant. Mr. Bauer moved, seconded by Mr. Gross, that the money be allocated in accordance with the Executive Committee's recommendation as shown in Resolution #97-02. Motion was unanimously approved 22-0-2 with Mr. Kovar and Mr. LeBlanc abstaining.

Mr. LeBlanc explained the second action item was a resolution to disburse planning and training money to MVEMA, MVRPC, and Dayton Regional Haz/Mat for planning and training activities conducted under the FY1996 Hazardous Materials Transportation Act Grant to MGCLERC. The work included hazard analysis for freeway incidents, GIS mapping of SARA facilities, and completion of outstanding hazard analyses for facilities not responding to the previous year's effort. The training portion was for Haz/Mat Toxmedic Training at the University of Arizona. Mr. Bauer moved, seconded by Ms. Pitner, that the money be disbursed in accordance with the Executive Committee's recommendation as shown in Resolution #97-03. Motion was unanimously approved 22-0-2 with Mr. Kovar and Mr. LeBlanc abstaining.

Ms. Bernitt and Mr. Foster arrived at this point.

V. **Distribution Policy for Fine Money:** Mr. Kovar explained the MGCLERC Enforcement Committee has been conducting an enforcement program for a couple of years. They have reviewed the files for each facility regarding information and forms that are required to be submitted. The MGCLERC has been levying fines against facilities filing required reports late. About \$575 has been collected in 1996 and 1997. Mr. Kovar said the Compliance Committee and the Executive Committee have both reviewed a distribution policy for the fine monies and are recommending it be adopted by MGCLERC. Mr. Dickey asked if the enforcement action is a local action through the County Prosecutor. Mr. Kovar said yes, the County Prosecutor is MGCLERC's legal advisor. Mr. LeBlanc said a local jurisdiction or its fire department can take action themselves. In that case, they would use their own legal advisor. Mr. McCloskey moved, seconded by Mr. Bauer, that Resolution #97-04 be approved as recommended. Motion was unanimously approved 26-0-0.

VI. **Compliance Committee Report:** Mr. Kovar said the committee has issued letters to local fire chiefs asking for information on facilities that reported in 1995 but not in 1996. Responses are coming back. Fine letters and late penalties are also being sent out.

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VII. **Information Coordinator Report:** Mr. LeBlanc presented a status report on the MGCLERC fund. The balance is currently \$12,750 with \$5,660 committed for HMTA reimbursement and \$7,090 uncommitted. The uncommitted funds include \$6,515 training money and \$675 in fines collected. He reported the work on entering 1997 filing data has been started.

VIII. **Community Emergency Coordinator Report:** Mr. Ring gave a report on an incident involving the CONRAIL rail yard in Moraine in February. He said the incident involved switch engines hitting and derailing a chlorine car. He noted the decision-making process involved before the car was set back on the tracks took six hours and involved determining the contents, checking the waybill, determining the integrity of the car structure, checking the possible vulnerable zone. All decisions were made with care because up to 100,000 people could have been affected.

IX. **Special Presentation:** Ron Swegheimer from the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio gave a presentation on the PUCO and hazardous materials transportation. He said PUCO has 11 field specialists throughout the state. They receive approximately one month worth of training a year because of the constant introduction of new types and designs of packaging. PUCO also has two certified rail car specialists. The inspection program used to be almost 100% devoted to trucking, but they have been mandated to expand into fixed facilities, hazardous waste generators, and retest facilities. Truck inspections now account for approximately 30% of the total. Their authority is activated when a substance is offered for transportation. Inspections are only done with cause. He showed a general haz/mat video and a slide program on various types of violations found by PUCO.

Mr. LeBlanc asked why I-70 has a large percentage of haz/mat trucks with denatured alcohol. Mr. Swegheimer said ADM in Illinois ships large quantities of the product to refineries and pipeline facilities. Ms. Lee asked if training was available for smaller carriers. Mr. Swegheimer said they can train themselves if they document, have training materials available, and do it every three years. Mr. Kovar asked if PUCO needs to be called on a radiological incident. Mr. Swegheimer said yes. Mr. Ring asked what the most typical violations involved. Mr. Swegheimer said packaging violations with the shipper and securing the load by the carrier.

X. **Other Business:** None.

XII. **Next Meeting:** It was noted that the next meeting is scheduled for 8:30 a.m., Friday, July 25, 1997 at the Greene County Social Service Center Media Room.

XIII. **Adjourn:** Mr. Ring moved, seconded by Mr. Onyett, that the meeting be adjourned at 10:40 a.m. Motion unanimously passed 26-0-0.