

MONTGOMERY/GREENE COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

FRIDAY, JULY 30, 1999
GREENE COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES CENTER - MEDIA ROOM
541 LEDBETTER ROAD
XENIA, OHIO 45385

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Bauer - Southwestern Portland Cement
Patricia Bernitt - Greater Dayton Area Hospital Assn.
Cynette Cavaliere - General Motors Corporation
Jeffrey DeVoe - Greene Co. Law Enforcement Assn.
David Evans - Montgomery Co. Police Chiefs Assn.
Jim Gross - Reg. Air Pollution Control Agency
Ed Kovar - Miami Valley Emergency Mgmt. Authority
Pete Lane - OSU Extension - Montgomery County
Jerry Mahan - OSU Extension - Greene County
Kimberly Mason - Greene Co. Public Works
(Alt. For Tim Denger)
Ron Moorefield - Amateur Radio Emergency Services
Kerry Onyett - American Red Cross - Dayton Area
Gavine Pitner - League of Women Voters
(Alt. For Carol Winslow)
David Price - Greene County Fire Chiefs Association
Jerry L. Rapp - A. E. Staley
Tim Reichard - Ashland Chemical
Billy Ring - Dayton Regional Haz/Mat
John Schlomer - Montgomery Co. Commissioners
(Alt. For Vicki Pegg)
Aaron Smith - Quality Chemicals
Andrew Steele - Dayton Fire Department
(Alt. For Barry Holbrook)
Chris Tumbusch - WPAFB
Jay Weiskircher - Dayton Area Managers Network
Donna Winchester - Dayton Water Department

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Gerald Alcorn - Mont. Co. Fire Chiefs
Tim Ballard - Mont. Co. Sanitary Engineering
T. Shawn Campbell - Greene County Commissioners
Gary Caprarotta - MV Emergency Mgmt. Authority
Nora Lake - Miami Valley Regional Planning Comm.
Jane O'Dell - Greene County Health Department
Ned Pennock - Miami Conservancy District
J. Michael Phillips - Mont. Co. Comb. Health District
Otis Stanaford - MV Regional Transit Authority
Nancy Wilson - WHIO/WHKO Radio
Doug Zink - Montgomery County Township Assn.

ALTERNATES PRESENT (MEMBER PRESENT)

Ernie Hudson - Amateur Radio Emergency Services

NONMEMBERS PRESENT

Chris Bloomfield - MVRPC
Angie Duvall - Cargill, Inc.
Vincent Festa - General Motors Corporation
Michael Friese - Appleton Papers, Inc.
Horton Hobbs IV, MVRPC
Scott Mattes - WPAFB Bioenvironmental Engineering
Nancy McDonnell - Appleton Papers, Inc.
Michael Nugent - American Red Cross Greene County
Beth Schroeder - MVRPC
Joe Spittler - Montgomery County Sheriff's Office
Fred Stone - Amateur Radio Emergency Services
Gerry Tipton - Greene County Health Department
Jennifer Wise - Sinclair Community College
Rosalia Wollenhaupt - City of Dayton

I. **Call to Order:** Mr. Kovar called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. He noted a quorum was present.

II. **Introductions:** Mr. Kovar asked everyone in attendance to introduce themselves.

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III. **Approval of April 30, 1999 Meeting Minutes:** Mr. Price moved, seconded by Ms. Cavaliere, that the minutes of the April 30, 1999 quarterly meeting be approved as submitted. The motion was unanimously approved (24-0-0).

IV. **Election of MGCLERC Vice-Chair:** Mr. Kovar explained that Ms. Bernitt had agreed to serve as MGCLERC Vice-Chair. Mr. Kovar requested for a motion and Mr. Bauer motioned to cease nominations, Ms. Winchester seconded. The motion was unanimously approved (24-0-0). Mr. Kovar called for a vote for the election of Ms. Bernitt. Ms. Bernitt was unanimously approved (24-0-0).

V. **Compliance/Enforcement Committee:** No report

VI. **Information Coordinator Report:** Mr. Hobbs noted that all of the new facilities that filed under SARA Title III have been entered into the CAMEO database and are currently being mapped. Additionally, updates have been made to MVRPC's daycare location database. Mr. Hobbs said that the Greene and Montgomery County Commissioners have approved the new MGCLERC membership list. However, these appointments will not be final until SERC approves the list at their August 11, 1999 meeting.

Mr. Hobbs stated that the Miami Conservancy District has decided to drop its membership from MGCLERC. However, Wright Patterson Air Force Base Bio-Environmental and Sinclair Community College have been added. Additionally, there have been five (5) membership changes within existing slots. Finally, Mr. Hobbs noted that a retreat is being planned for this fall for all new MGCLERC members.

Mr. Hobbs noted that the LEPC annual conference will be held in Columbus on August 12. He reported that Ken Schultz was reassigned to the Central District Office and no longer serves as staff support to the SARA Title III program. He emphasized that this will be a big loss because Mr. Schultz has done a great deal of work behind the scenes and he has been the key person in making Ohio's Right-to-Know program one of the most active in the nation. In addition, the Ohio EPA staff support has been stripped to bare bones. Mr. Hobbs conveyed that a new state HAZMAT exercise manual has been created and that he thought he may get a copy at the LEPC annual conference.

Funding distribution formula will remain the same as last year, but there will be a 35 percent increase in HMEP funding from USDOT. Mr. Hobbs noted that these funds have been used for hazard analysis and transportation studies in the past. He explained that this funding increase will also increase the monies available for training and he urged the fire departments to use this money instead of turning it back for other counties to use each year.

Mr. Hobbs explained that there is a stakeholders group that has gotten together to hammer out a compromise that would require retail gas stations to report in some manner under SARA Title III.

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They are searching for ways to make up the loss of funding to SERC if the one-hundred dollar reporting fee is abolished. It appears that retail gas stations will continue reporting and paying a fee for the March 2000 filing deadline, but thereafter they may end up having a new deadline of July 1, 2001. Funding for that year and beyond is uncertain and may be lost.

Finally, BUSTER is revising its reporting form and upgrading its computer program. The group is trying to come up with a single reporting form that could be used by SARA Title III, BUSTER, and Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Release Compensation Board.

VII. **Other Business:** Mr. Kovar discussed the Centerville and Xenia Exercises and reported that they both ran smoothly and were well done. He added that by performing those two exercises, we have satisfied the state requirements until June 2000.

VIII. **Adjourn:** Mr. Onyett moved, seconded by Mr. Moorefield, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:12 a.m. Motion unanimously passed 24-0-0.