

CENTRAL FLORIDA REGION LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE



CHAIRMAN: Dan Bartle
VICE-CHAIR: Codi Donahoe

Quarterly Meeting Minutes November 16, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

Virtual at GoToMeeting

In-Person at A-C-T Environmental and Infrastructure 1875 W Main St Bartow, FL 33830

1. Call to Order

- A. Daniel Bartle called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- B. The CF-LEPC recognized Burt McKee for the Thomas Yatabe Award Nomination to be presented at the SERC meeting in January 2024.
- C. Those in attendance both online and in person included:

Emergency Management

- Rick Christoff, DeSoto Co. Emergency Management
- Danielle DeLeon, Hardee County Emergency Management
- Ashley Shive, A-C-T Environmental & Infrastructure Inc.

Facility Owners and Operators

- Greg Hall, Publix Super Markets, Inc.
- James Villarreal, Gulfstream Natural Gas
- Jenna Downing, Westlake Epoxy
- Keith Hazzard, Burris Logistics
- Rachel Garard, Arkema-ArrMaz
- Joe Noel, Florikan ESA, LLC

Fire Recue

- Codi Donahoe, Polk County Fire Recue
- Brett Hogan, Highlands County Fire Department

Education

- Danial Bartle, Florida Polytechnic University

Interested Citizen

- Tim Bennett, RISC-Risk Insurance Consulting

Local Environmental

- Jon Belcher, FL Department of Environmental Protection
- Heidi Hoffman, FL Department of Environmental Protection
- Brandon Hooper, Hull's Environmental Services

Local Option

- Todd Tanner, Private Citizen
- Robert "Bing" Crosby, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (DHS)
- Matt Currie, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (DHS)

Staff

- Curtis Knowles, LEPC Staff
- April Dasilva, LEPC Staff

Public

- Todd Nichols, DHS, CISA
- Kathleen Ward, DHS, CSI
- Trey Piel, Seminole Electric
- Scott Huff, Polk County Fire Rescue
- Burt McKee, Polk County BoCC

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2. Approve Draft August 3, 2023, Central Florida LEPC Meeting Minutes

Actions Requested:	Approve Draft August 3, 2023, Central Florida LEPC Meeting Minutes
Motion	Ashley Shive
Second	John Belcher
Approved:	Passed

3. Old Business

- a. None

4. New Business

- a. Ashley Shive with A-C-T Environmental and Infrastructure welcomed everyone to their facility and to the LEPC meeting.
- b. Jason Marvel with FlowMSP presented a breakdown of their software following a recent presentation at the SERC meeting in October 2023. FlowMSP is an industry-leading pre-incident planning software platform for the fire service which works across your devices and distributes critical size-up information via dispatch notifications. Curtis noted that Jason Marvel's presentation and contact information can be shared following the meeting. Attendees discussed questions arising from the presentation and shared potential insights into data that could be included in their platform.
- c. Proposed 2024 LEPC Meeting Dates were reviewed with attendees who agreed to continue with both in-person and virtual scheduling going forward. Meeting locations have not been determined but will be shared as they become available.
 - i. February 22, 2024 @ 9:30am
 - ii. May 23, 2024 @ 9:30am
 - iii. August 1, 2024 @ 9:30am
 - iv. November 14, 2024 @ 9:30am
- d. No incidents were reported for the Region. Jenna Downing thanked Polk County Fire Rescue for their tight space and investigation training.

5. Subcommittee Reports

- a. A new Primary member, Casey Dasher from Hardee County Fire Rescue and two alternates, James Simpson from Hardee County Fire Rescue and Tom West from FDEP were approved at the recent SERC meeting.
- b. SERC, TTF, and LEPC Chairs Coordinators Meetings Recap:
 - i. Ashley Shive spoke about the presentations and meetings discussing lithium-ion batteries, specifically the disposal of these batteries. Ashley also shared information about potential and actual impacts happening around the country

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from the hazards of lithium-ion batteries. Additionally, Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) was also discussed to look into state funding to get this declared a hazardous waste material. A survey will go out to the Fire Departments asking what they have and how much do they have.

- c. Upcoming trainings are listed below:
 - i. Florida Hazmat Symposium is scheduled for Jan 16-19, 2024 in Daytona Beach.
 - ii. Florida Division of Emergency Management Training Calendar
<https://trac.floridadisaster.org/trac/trainingcalendar.aspx>
 - 1. Old FDEM Region 4
 - a. MGT-466 Sport and Special Event Enhanced Risk Management and Assessment
 - b. G-400 post 5/10/2019 Advanced Incident Command System Command & General Staff: Complex Incidents
 - c. L-449 Incident Command System (ICS) Curricula Train-the-Trainer
 - d. MGT-475 Crowd Management for Sports and Special Events
 - 2. Old FDEM Region 6
 - a. L-975 NIMS ICS All-Hazards Position-Specific: Finance/Administration Unit Leader
 - b. G-191 Incident Command System/Emergency Operations Center (ICS/EOC) Interface
 - c. 2019 V G-300 Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents
 - d. 2019 V G-400 Advanced Incident Command System Command & General Staff: Complex Incidents
 - e. G-393 Mitigation for Emergency Managers
 - iii. TRANSCAER
<https://www.transcaer.com/training/training-events/us-fl>
 - 3. None listed at this time

6. Comments from Members/Public – Please announce yourself before you speak

The Department of Homeland Security would like to present at the next meeting. They would like to share information on the training drills and exercises offered to the LEPC.

Burriss Logistics has recently been purchased by another logistics company and is suspending their current membership pending new ownership interest in the LEPC.

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Mary Hartney emailed a report for Curtis to read in her absence. She reported the FFAA appreciated the great information provided by US DHS' Bing Crosby, Todd Nichols and Matt Currie about voluntary security programs. They presented it to FFAA's Fertilizer Advisory Committee meeting on October 31, 2023 and it was a valuable and helpful presentation.

7. Next CF-LEPC Meeting

d. February 22, 2024 at 9:30am – Tentative based on approval above

8. Adjourn

Dan Bartle adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Bartle, LEPC Chairman

This meeting was duly advertised in the Nov 2, 2023 issue of the FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER, Issue: 49/214.