

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)

Draft MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 11, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.

Howard Male Conference Room

The Alpena County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) met on Thursday August 11, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Howard Male Conference Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: VICE-CHAIR – Alpena County Board of Commissioners
Marty Thomson
Director of Emergency Management and E911 Services
Kim Elkie
Director, Alpena County Road Commission
Ryan Brege
NE Mich Medical Control Representative
Nick Harrison
Alpena County Fire Representative
Hanna Trelfa
Chief, Alpena City Police
Joel Jett

MEMBERS ABSENT: Superintendent, Alpena Public Schools
David Rabbideau
Chief, Alpena City Fire Department
Bill Forbush
MidMichigan Medical Center Representative
Paige Armstrong
Coordinator EMHSD, MSP District 7
Lt. Michael deCastro
MSP Alpena Post Commander
John Grimshaw
City of Alpena Elected Official Representative
Mike Nowak
Alpena County Sheriff
Erik Smith
Public Health Representative, District 4
Nic Modrzynski
Alpena County 911 Training Officer
Rory Sherwood

OTHERS PRESENT: Kim MacArthur, Board Assistant
Andy Marceau, City of Alpena Risk Reduction Officer
Lee Fitzpatrick, Alpena Public Schools
JP Ritter, Alpena County Sheriff's Office

Commissioner Vice-Chairman Thomson called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Motion to approve the minutes from June 30, 2022 meeting was made by Joel Jett with support by Nic Harrison. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Marty Thomson and supported by Hanna Trelfa. Motion carried.

INFORMATION ITEM: Director of Emergency Management and E911 Services Kim Elkie updated the committee on SARA reporting and response plans. Kim now has access to SARA reporting online. Currently there are 60 active facilities in Alpena County (tier 2 & 3 combined), 19 inactive facilities, and 4 facilities that qualify for tier 3. Discussion was made to recap the last meeting with the addition of DPI as a site to monitor along with the Bio Refinery, Frontier, and Besser Company. Response plans need to be reviewed every year and Kim will prioritize DPI's plan first.

INFORMATION ITEM: Director of EM and E911 Services Kim Elkie updated the committee on hazard mitigation strategies and priorities. She is in the process of working on a spreadsheet of strategies and priorities and does not anticipate a lot will be crossed off the list. Kim is still seeking an Assistant Director of EM and E911 which of whom will be taking on the task of the spreadsheet.

INFORMATION ITEM: Discussion was made on the current list of committee members and other possible categories of representatives that could be included. There are currently 15 members on the committee. Recommendations were made of people that could potentially be added. Kim will contact the state to see if the committee is able to have advisory members and bring back to next meeting. Motion was made by Nic Harrison and supported by Joel Jett to recommend the below action item. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEM #1: The Committee recommends approval to add Lee Fitzpatrick, Director of Communications at Alpena Public Schools, as the Local Emergency Planning Committee's PIO (Public Information Officer) as presented.

Motion to adjourn by Ryan Brege with support by Joel Jett. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

Marty Thomson, Vice-Chairman

Kim Elkie, Director of Emergency
Management and E911 Services

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