

LEPC MEETING MINUTES

May 24, 2019

The meeting was opened by Chairman Brent Fisher, Nash County Emergency Services.

Opening Statements

Introductions by individuals attending.

Welcome

Review of last Minutes. Motion to approve was made and seconded. All were in favor, no one opposed and the minutes were approved.

Requests made for anyone that would like to present at the next LEPC meeting. Mr. Kenny Sumner with S.A.F.E. of Rocky Mount will be presenting at the meeting on August 23, 2019.

Administrative Announcements:

- Meeting dates for the remainder of 2019 are August 23, 2019 and November 22, 2019.
- Discussed the tornado that hit in Nash County on 5/13/19. The tornado was classified as an EF2. A demonstration was given of the Orion software used for damage assessments from the tornado. The demonstration showed true numbers for the damages. Explained how the tax department goes out to the locations affected by the storm and assigns a code to each location in Orion which then prompts and calculates preliminary totals for accessing the damages.
- The main number to the Nash County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is (252) 459-1202 or you can call the main number to Emergency Services from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday at (252) 459-9805. Direct number for Brent Fisher is (252) 459-1204.
- The 83rd Army Civil Affairs Battalion will be doing a waterway assessment exercise of Turkey Creek from July 21, 2019 through August 1, 2019. In order to be a part of the 83rd civil affairs team, each person has to submit applications to get on the team and do training. The team has assisted other counties as well with different types of projects. These projects help them prepare to go over to third world countries. The 83rd also did a TIER II Report for Nash County on hazardous materials from companies that manufacture or store certain chemicals. They also did some mapping for us. The team that will be coming in July will be doing a project on Turkey Creek with debris removal to assist with issues of flooding. There were 600 plus points of debris identified in Stoney Creek and Tar River. Stoney Creek and Tar River are both complete. Now in Edgecombe County. Hopefully get another grant to have Turkey Creek cleaned out too.
- Donnie Daniels – added to above.

- The 97th Army Civil Affairs will be here June 10, 2019 – June 13, 2019 and have been tasked with doing an airport tabletop exercise during this time, possibly that Thursday night. Still working on exercise play.
- A Sheltering Task Force has been put together by the State level Task Force. Three local counties, Catawba, Nash and Onslow are on the committee, with others and are discussing how to better sheltering operations. Mike Sprayberry has applauded Nash County and has thanked us all for what you do when opening CRES shelters. A public health team and Department of Social Services workers have also been requested. During meetings with these agencies, be specific on what is needed as all nurses are not the same level.
- The CRES SOG is going through re-write. Hopefully will be completed this year. Hurricane Florence was a statewide event. There was a lag in getting resources due to the not knowing where the hurricane was going. That is why everyone needs to be prepared. Looking at utilizing larger coliseum type buildings for sheltering. Also looking at going into other states.
- Host County Plans – A Plan that lays out how you shelter operations when people are coming into Nash County from other counties. We are working on plan to share with other counties that do not have a plan and are open to ideas as well. Demonstrated Host County Plan.

- 1-What is the role and responsibility.
- 2- What is EMS' role and responsibilities.
- 3- What is public health's role and responsibilities.
- 4- What is local DSS role and responsibilities.
- 5- What is LEO roles and responsibilities.
- 6- What is the American Red Cross's roles and responsibilities and who is going to manage the shelter.
- 7- What is Mental Health's roles and responsibilities.
- 8- What about pets. Discussed trailers that were used during Hurricane Florence.
- 9- What type of host building and points of contact. Communications discussed. Aux Comm.

- Discussion on standing orders to help understand sheltering operations.
- Discussed timeline and hours at which something needs to occur. Language barriers.

- Discussion: What comes to mind as you prepare for housing people in a major storm, in a large arena or other large building? What if an outbreak occurred; how would you separate them out and how would you contain the air for the ones not sick. Example, flu outbreak.
- Public Health - working on some issues at the state level.
- Mitigation Grant – reviewed every 5 years – due in 2020. Review and Re-write if need. Contractor working on this. Have had one meeting. 2-3 more meetings to come. Will be sharing additional information as meetings move forward.
- Hurricane Conference – May 29, 2019. A lot of good information to be shared. Technology and inundation of flooding.
- ICS 300 and 400 will be offered on June 17, 2019 – June 21, 2019. You do need to have 300 before you can take 400. Register through NCTERMS. Contact Brent Fisher if you need help registering. FEMA independent study. 700, 100 and 200 needs to be taken. 400 gets into more of EOC operations.
- Opioids Training – Wednesday May 29, 2019 – Nash County Administrative Building, Commissioners Room, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm and 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm. Open to anyone. No registration required, just show up.
- Health Department - Baby Love. Received grant from last year to offer SIDS training in Nash County. 2 part. Will do SIDS training and then Pediatric CPR and First Aid training to reduce infant mortality. Nash County has a high mortality ratio among minorities. June 6, 2019 at Nash Community College from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. More training will come out late summer to early winter or later.
- We continue work with Nash-Rocky Mount Schools on their plans. Also have the “Stop the Bleed” campaign. Vidant. Working and training with the nurses at schools.
- Regional Hazmat Team sends regards that they couldn’t be at meeting today. Discussed the April 18th response to Grayson Rd, unusual package incident. Everything worked out great. Shared appreciation on the networking an every ones involvement.
- Public Health Preparedness Coordinator, Larissa Williams. Just attended conference. The sheltering topic came up. Hepatitis A epidemic was also a topic. Nash County not in the high number range. Closest to us was Wayne County, Harnett County and Johnston County that have a few cases. Another topic was chemical preparedness and response. Focus on other populations and languages. State wants them to learn to do IAP.

- Nash UNC Health Care, Cliff Miller. The big talk – Dialysis. SVI vulnerability - Medicaid/Medicare.
- Fresenius Medical Care North America, Sharon Spence, discussion on coordinating patients with other facilities and patients going to other facilities for treatment. Discussed working together with other clinics for patient care.
- Nash County 911 Communications Training Manager, Mark Reavis spoke on the 911 dispatch academy. Getting ready to begin the 10th academy this summer. The academy is a huge cost savings to tax payers. The academy teaches the basic ground work and fundamentals of becoming a Telecommunicator. Costs for the class - \$185.00. Scholarships and funding are available. Contact Libby Moss at Nash Community College at (252) 451-8355.
- Health Department, Jamie Bragg. Discussed measles outbreak. No cases in NC yet. 880 cases of measles were reported from 22 states from January 1st to April 26, 2019.
- Health Department – Receiving a lot of calls concerning international travel. Wanting to know what kind of vaccines are available for international travelers. You can go to [CDC.gov\travel\destination](http://CDC.gov/travel/destination) and enter your destination to check what vaccines you may need or information you may need to be aware of. The cost to check for immunity to measles is \$117.00. 93% effective for one MMR vaccine. Children must have two MMR vaccines before going to kindergarten, 28 days apart. Measles stays on surfaces for up to 2 hours and can be passed via respiratory droplets. Need to be asking travel questions. Hospital is asking travel questions even if person just went out of state. In the Congo Ebola is out of control. Discussed checking records – checking for MMR vaccinations. State will cover under 18 years old with no insurance. Health Department does not take medicare. Medicaid covers some. Something to think about – MMR vaccines, Measles/Mumps/Rubella. May also need to look at the American Red Cross and people coming into shelters. Maybe need to add something to brochure given out to people entering shelters asking if they have received vaccine.
- Landfill concern – nowhere to go in a tornado or bad storm.
- NCC – conversation on Super Bugs and antibiotics.
- NC Department of Agriculture, Emergency Programs Animal (VET), Dr. Michelle Bouchey. African swine fever big now.
- Life Inc., Gloria Coppage. Discussed they had conducted their own TTX and talked about things they could do better.

- NCC – Sartopo class. Conducted land search. Will try to offer another land search activity in September. Also a man tracking class. Regional SAR April 2020 possibly. Discussed fire academy starting in the fall. Biggest – Red Cross Training they had. Good training. Good networking.
- Rocky Mount Fire Department, Donnie Daniels – Working on Rocky Mount Dive Team as a credentialed state team. Proud of their swift water rescue team. Boater operator course. Regional resource now. Duke Energy – grant for UTV. Hazmat folks working with hospital with hazmat training. Almost fully staffed except for fire chief.
- American Red Cross/Baptist Men, Peter Gilliland – Getting ready for the season. Training and recruiting. Whenever trainings taking place, remember the Red Cross. ARC is a resource for the agencies. Peter Gilliland number (252)-813-7964.
- Kenny Sumner - Human Trafficking – Will be doing a presentation at the August 23, 2019 meeting of the LEPC.
- Next Meeting - Aug 23, 2019 - Same location.