

# LEPC #12

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE



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## June 20, 2019 - DRAFT Norwich Safety Complex Norwich, Vermont

Attendees: Stacy Garciadealba, Mark Belisle, Brad Salzmann, Bruce Martin, Alex Northern, Russell Ashe, Lance Colby, Joe Truss, Jack Schoenberg, Heather Rigney, Lt. Barb Kessler, Brenda Field, Peter Gregory, Mary Hamisevicz, Jeff Campbell, GK Fredrickson, Chad Whitcomb, Rich Doolen, Tim Caulfield, Mariah Whitcomb, Katina Johnson, John Sanders, and Tory Littlefield.

1. Call to order at 6:00 p.m. Bruce Martin presided. Introductions were made.
2. Approval of minutes for 6/20/2019  
A motion was made by Tim Caulfield and seconded by Mark Belisle to approve the minutes of 6/20/2019. All approved.
3. Treasurers Report  
Tory Littlefield presided for Brad Salzmann. The TRORC invoice was processed by the state and subsequently taken out. There is \$5 in the account.

Motion made by Tim Caulfield and seconded by Rich Doolen. All approved.

4. Vermont Emergency Management Association Roundtable

Jeff Campbell and Katina Johnson presided from VTEMA. They explained the purpose of their newly founded organization, which in short is to provide assistance and training to the emergency management community in Vermont. They asked audience members on ways this organization can help them. More information and ways to sign up for the organization can be found on their website: [www.vtema.org](http://www.vtema.org). They also have various social media platforms.

5. Other Business/Upcoming Training
  - a. Tory Littlefield has been approved by the governor to represent regional planning commissions on the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC). She attended the August 21, 2019 meeting in Waterbury and relayed that the SERC is going to come up with and vote on a LEPC consolidation plan for the state. It is likely the 13 LEPCs will be consolidated into four. She will be serving on the sub-committee to come up with these scenarios and asked for feedback from the LEPC on their thoughts for this consolidation. Many were concerned about driving distances, losing that face to face with members in their own region, and that many attendees are volunteers. Tory will update them on this at the next LEPC meeting.
  - b. Tory Littlefield broached the idea of going from bi-monthly LEPC meetings to quarterly. This is to save money, find better presentations, and allow more to attend. Generally the LEPC liked the idea and it will be up for a vote at the October meeting.

- c. The Vermont Emergency Preparedness Conference will be September 6 -7 at the Lake Morey Resort in Fairlee. This is a free event.
  - d. The statewide CAT 4 exercise will be held on October 23-25. RPC's will be participating, as well as the towns of Hartford and Randolph.
  - e. There are several other conferences and training opportunities coming up:
    - i. Vermont Healthcare and EMD Preparedness Conference October 31-November 3 in Burlington.
    - ii. Fire Education and Carbon Monoxide conference in Lebanon, NH in November.
    - iii. Town Fair conference in Killington October 2-3.
6. The meeting adjourned at 7:35. Motion made by Jerry Fredrickson and seconded by Tim Caulfield. All approved.

The next meeting will be at the VA Hospital in White River Junction on October 17, 2019.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Tory Littlefield for Tim Caulfield, LEPC Secretary