

MINUTES  
HARVEY COUNTY  
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)  
McKinley Administrative Center  
308 E. 1<sup>st</sup>, Newton, KS  
April 13, 2022 @ 9:00 am

Present: Skip Cowan, Bryan Ellis, Lona Kelly, Dean Murray, Sam Jack, Brody Flavin, Lynnette Redington, Anthony Swartzendruber, Diana Waddell-Gilbert, Michael Anderson and Steve Roberson

Zoom: Kesa Easter, John Spielman, Cory Lehman, Jim Leftwich

1. Brody Flavin (LEPC Vice Chair) called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.
2. Brody Flavin asked for a motion to approve April 13, 2022 agenda, Steve Roberson made the motion seconded by Dean Murray. **Agenda approved.** Brody asked for a motion to approve the February 9, 2022 minutes. Lynnette Redington made the motion and was seconded by Skip Cowan, **minutes approved.**
3. Old Business

**Status of the Meetings Moving Forward:** The LEPC meeting is currently scheduled to be held at McKinley for the next meeting in June. The committee has decided to hold future meetings (including the June meeting) at the Law Enforcement Training Center/Emergency Operations Center (EOC) located at 120 E. 7<sup>th</sup>, Newton, KS 67114. At this time, Zoom will still be offered for those who are unable to attend the meeting in person.

**New Business:**

**In-Depth Look at ESF #8-Public Health and Medical Services:** Skip Cowan presented on ESF #8. This function focuses on the county response to medical events from all perspectives. Harvey County Health Department is the coordinating agency for ESF #8, while other support agencies include NMC Health, City EMS, Volunteer Agencies Active in Disaster (VOADs) and other regional/state agencies. Soon, the document will be on the Harvey County Emergency Management page located on [harveycounty.com](http://harveycounty.com)

**Industry Spotlights:** In the past, the LEPC has requested local industry partners to present to the group regarding their agencies day to day operations as well as reviewing their emergency response plans. The next scheduled spotlight will be Newton City-County Airport. The LEPC is in need of future presentations. Please reach out to Bryan

Ellis or Skip Cowan if you are interested in presenting. It was suggested by the group to pursue local funeral homes (Mass Fatality Incidents) or the District 9 Coroner.

**Future LEPC Meeting Brief Exercise:** Harvey County Emergency Management Director Michael Anderson suggested to the group a 10-15 brief exercise scenario at every meeting regarding community partners/ESF Coordinators and events they may encounter. This will give the group a refresher on how to respond to events as well as offer support and information sharing amongst the LEPC. **This was supported by those in attendance.**

**Membership Updates:** The LEPC has a significant change when it comes to the membership list. Roles, responsibilities and the roster is in need of review. Bryan Ellis will send the list out (**internal use only**) and ask for verification if individuals need to remove/update their information from the committee list.

Brody Flavin asked for a motion to adjourn the April 13, 2022 meeting, Skip Cowan made the motion seconded by Bryan Ellis .

Next Meeting date June 8, 2022 at the EOC located at 120 E. 7<sup>th</sup>, Newton, KS 67114

Meeting adjourned.