<u>LEPC members in Attendance:</u> David Wood, Melissa Bour, Brooke Matzen, Kay Vonderschmidt, Melissa Bour, Keith Wise, Sam Reed, Steve Renninger, Mike Hannigan, Keith Wise, Duane Stansbury, Dennis Waldbillig

Welcome and	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION:	RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:
Introductions	David Wood welcomed those in attendance and thanked the group for being flexible and attending both in person and meeting virtually due to the COVID 19 pandemic. Members in attendance introduced themselves. Because there were more members than non-members present a quorum was reached.	None
Review of Previous Meeting Minutes	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION:  David Wood reported that the previous meeting minutes were sent out to the LEPC members for review. There was a suggestion sent back to David wanting clarification on the reports section where David reported how some businesses changed from storing EHS chemicals to Hazardous chemicals on site. John Franks suggested" just storing hazardous chemicals". No other edits were suggested by LEPC members present. There was a motion from Brooke Matzen to approve the 03/18/2021 LEPC meeting minutes with the edit. Melissa Bour seconded. Motion passed.	RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: None
Reports:	<ul> <li>DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION:</li> <li>LEPC Coordinator Update:         <ul> <li>Tier 2 filling update:</li> <li>David Wood reported there are 72 EHS facilities that filed directly with Warren County LEPC and another 63 non-EHS facilities that filed (totaling 165). David received a report from Ohio EPA containing who filed with them and David needs to reconcile the reports to see who did not file with the county but filed with the state.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The SERC fiscal report will be filed by the 5<sup>th</sup> of July. This will start the new LEPC cycle so we will need to begin talking about the exercise for this new cycle. This exercise can be anything from tabletop, to functional, or full-scale.</li> </ul>	RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: None.
	EMA Update Lesli Holt reported that the EMA is still working on COVID PPE logistics and the EMA has discontinued the weekly Situation Reports that were being sent out. The EMA has also hired Sydney Renner as their new Planning Assistant. Their focus for the rest of the year will be on updating all plans and SOGs and creating new training and education programs to train EOC staff. Lesli reported that if anyone in attendance wanted to be a part of the county EOC staff to let her or David know.	

#### SERC:

Sam Reed reported SERC convened last Wednesday and they went over exercise exemptions for 2020 and 2021. They also read some southwest Ohio exercises and real events. The Warren County tabletop exercise did received concurrence from the SERC. July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 will start the next fiscal year for the exercise cycle for the next four years.

The regional LEPC group will try to get together virtually first with in-person meetings to begin around October.

Ohio EPA: Keith Wise reported the Ohio EPA staff are responding to a lot more incidents but still cannot attend any in person meetings at this time. The new position has not yet been filled and will be posted this week.

#### Greater Cincinnati Hazmat:

Brooke Matzen reported that if anyone has any training needs to contact GC Hazmat. Lesli reported that she sent a hazmat cleanup vendor to GC Hazmat so they might have a call or voicemail from this company. Brooke said she would check into it.

<u>Warren County Health District:</u> Duane Stansbury reported the WCHD has been hovering around 1 case per 100,000 which is around 2.5 cases per day (which is a low percentage in SW Ohio). Warren County has started 120,0000 people on their first dose of vaccine with 109,0000 completing their vaccination series. This is about 51% of population who have completed first dose and 47% who have completed the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose of vaccine. They are hosting open clinics at the WCHD daily for COVID vaccines and they are working with schools, festivals, and businesses to provide vaccinations there as well.

#### **New Business:**

#### LEPC Membership for Term of June 2021 - 2023

#### **DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION:**

David Wood reported that LEPC membership terms are due for 2021-2023. The LEPC also needs to do a call for nominations of Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary. David had sent out an email asking current LEPC members if they wanted to continue to serve the LEPC term. No one indicated that they wished to be removed so the current list still stands.

Fire – Chief Hannigan Law – Sheriff Sims

Elected Official - Martin Russell

#### **RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:**

David will send the list of LEPC members for the 2021-2023 term to the Warren County Commissioners to approve by resolution. Once approved, the final list along with the minutes recording the officer nominations to the SERC.

	EMA – Lesli and David Hospitals – Crystal Paul and Kay Vonderschmidt Health - Dustin Ratliff Industry – L3 Harris (Bill Romaine) Other: Melissa Bour- WCDES, Brooke Matzen - GC Hazmat, Dennis Waldbillig - GC Hazmat, Paul Kindell- Telecom, John Franks- NWS.  David had reached out to an ODOT rep who declined due to his schedule. David also asked Keith Wise from Ohio EPA if he wanted to be a member, but due to short staffing he is unable to commit at this time.  David reported that there are 5 officer positions for the LEPC. Two of these positions are automatically filled by EMA staff: The Emergency Coordinator who is filled by Melissa Bour and the Information Coordinator who is filled by David Wood. The remaining open officer positions are LEPC Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary.  Lesli Holt motioned to nominate David Wood as chair of the Warren County LEPC. Dustin Ratliff seconded. Motion passed.  Lesli Holt motioned John Franks to serve as Vice-Chair of the Warren County LEPC. Dennis Waldbillig seconded. Motion passed.  Kay Vonderschmidt motioned Lesli Holt to serve as the Secretary of the Warren County LEPC. Melissa Bour seconded. Motion passed.  Brooke Matzen motioned to approve the list of LEPC members and officers for the 2021-2023 term. Melissa Bour seconded. Motion passed.	
Hazardous materials spills	<b>DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION:</b> Lesli Holt reported on spills and occurrences during 2 <sup>nd</sup> qtr 2021.	RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:
and events for Warren County	The 2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr Hazmat Stats reported to the EMA are as follows: Odor of gas in a structure - 18 Odor of gas outside - 20 GAS LINE STRIKE – 14 (1-Mason, 1-Deerfield Twp from mowing, 3- Hamilton Twp, 7 – Clearcreek / Springboro area, 1-South Lebanon) FUEL SPILL - 6	None

	Also reported:  • CHEMICAL REACTION IN THE BACK OF A GARBAGE TRUCK • PROPANE TANK EXPLODED  Lesli also reported that they are working with the Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS) to get some promotional materials to hand out at their booth in Clearcreek Twp for National Night Out. The EMA is hoping to help spread the word about calling 811 before you dig to the public to help reduce the amount of gas line strikes in the county.	
Roundtable Discussion: Partner Updates	Telecom: not present at this meeting.  Business: not present at this meeting.  Sheriff's Office: Not present at this meeting.  Commissioner's Office: Not present at this meeting.  Hospitals: No Report for this meeting.  USEPA: Steve Renninger reported that the US EPA is also restricted from inperson meetings and restricted for deployment to certain incidents.  Fire: Chief Hannigan had no report for this meeting.  Weather Service: John Franks reported that NWS is still in Stage 0 in regard to COVID so they are still teleworking and not attending meetings in-person. Tom Johnstone is the new meteorologist in charge at the Wilmington Office.  Red Cross: Not present at this meeting.  David Wood reported that for the next LEPC meeting he will ask members to come up with goals for the LEPC for 2022. Lesli asked if anyone had goals for training that should be brough to the county. Sam Reed recommended that one training that is being highly recommended is the Hazmat IQ training. It is going	RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: None

LEPC Education: Local Government Reimbursement Program	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION: David Wood reported that the EMA received a newsletter from the Rocky Mountain EPA region from Jeff Beattie with Ohio SERC. In that newsletter, there was information about a LEPC reimbursement grant that he wanted to bring to the meeting today. A copy of the presentation can be obtained from the Warren County LEPC Chair.	RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:  David will send this power point out with the meeting minutes so LEPC members will have a link to the grant site with more information.
	Steve Renninger reported that one of the requirements is that the incident needs to be reported to the National Response Center. Lesli Holt asked the question if USEPA Superfund sites are eligible for this grant (on the local government response side). Steve responded that as long as the incident was reported to the National Response Center and the local response was tied to the incident it should be eligible.	
Next LEPC Meeting	Next meeting is September 16, 2021 from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. LEPC members will be asked to produce goals for 2022. Details will be sent out at a later date.	
Adjourn	Motion to adjourn was made by Brooke Matzen. Seconded by Dustin Ratliff. Meeting Adjourned at 2:15 pm	