



**MIAMI COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE  
QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES  
September 7, 2023**

I. Meeting was called to order by Chuck Drake at 4:02 pm

Members Present: Jeff Lewis, Joel Smith, Jim Bowell, Ron Dye, Chuck Drake, Mark Eberhardt, David Stockler, Nancy Bowman, Wade Dexter, Jim Crawford, Stan Kegley

Members Absent: Sheriff Dave Duchak, Jeff Busch, Jim Garrett, Prosecutor Tony Kendall, Commissioner Ted Mercer, Brent Pohlschneider, Bill Frey, Lee Harmon, Miami County Public Health, Kurt Poppelman, Steve Pfister, Scott Pence, Abigail Richards.

II. Approval of minutes of the June 1, 2023 quarterly meeting, as sent out via email. Jim Bowell moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting; seconded by Joel Smith. Motion carried.

III. Financial report: Joel Smith presented the financial report as follows:

Balance at last meeting	\$78,217.98
Income since last meeting	\$27,879.07
Expenses since last meeting	\$7,031.25
Current Balance	\$99,065.80

- a. Expenses were \$461.04 to Premier Safety for Chemical Cassette. \$735.36 to Ritz Safety for oil pillows. \$106.59 to Premier Safety for a pair of hazmat boots. \$5,726.26 to the Miami County Treasurer for reimbursement for Information Coordinator Salary and Benefits May-Aug.
- b. Income since last meeting were \$1,696.07 from Cost Recovery from a diesel spill in troy on 5/2/23. \$26,183.00 from the Annual SERC Grant for SFY24.
- c. Acceptance of the financial report. Joel Smith moved to approve finance report. Second by Jim Bowell. Motion carried.

IV. Old Business:

- a. Hazmat Team Activities and Responses: Dave Stockler reported the hazmat team responded to one hazmat event since the last meeting. It was a mechanical failure at a swimming pool that caused two chemicals to mix and produce a gas. 16 patients were transported to the hospital that turned this incident into a mass casualty incident. Training is continuing. Multiple members are now certified research specialist.
- b. EHS site visits: Joel Smith reported that 49 visits have been made in the year. 2 facilities were unable to schedule a time that worked for everyone.

- c. Cost Recovery Actions: Jeff Lewis reported one cost recovery action since the last meeting. Sedgwick Claims sent \$1,696.07 for a diesel spill from a tractor trailer that occurred on 5/2/23.
- d. Public Information Requests: Jeff Lewis reported three public information requests. Two were requested by T&M Associates on July 11<sup>th</sup> for a property at 1025 S. Roosevelt Ave in Piqua. The other was for 919 South Main Street in Piqua. (Former Piqua Power Plant). Nothing significant was found for both properties. EBI Consulting requested information for a property at 6751 N. Alcony Conover Road in Conover on July 20<sup>th</sup>. Nothing significant was found.

#### IV. New Business:

- a. Joel Smith reviewed the SFY 23 Chemical Emergency and Preparedness Plan- No Change Review. Components of the review were discussed and group agreed with submission of no change for this year. Group did agree that we would begin looking over plan with new checklist and adjust for next year. Wade Dexter moved to approve and submit to SERC; seconded by Chuck Drake. Motion carried.
- b. Jeff Lewis presented the annual LEPC Compliance Report for SFY 2023. Jim Howell moved to approve the Compliance Report as it was presented; Joel Smith seconded. Motion carried.

#### V. Sub-Committee Reports:

- a. Exercise and Training: Joel Smith presented updated information on the Clopay Functional exercise that will take place on Friday October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The group discussed meeting as a committee again before the exercise to again review actives planned for the exercise.
- b. Community Resources and Information: Nothing to report.
- c. Equipment: Jeff Lewis presented quotes for the purchase of additional sensors for our current 4 gas meters. Group discussed the pros and cons of the new sensors. The need for less dragger tubes and cost saving measures in the long run by purchasing these sensors were also discussed. The group agreed that purchasing the sensors would expand the life and usefulness of our current meters and would be beneficial for hazmat protection for the county. Wade Dexter moved to approve the purchase of meters by the lowest bidding company; Jim Crawford seconded. Motion carried.
- d. Planning Writing and Policy: Nothing to report.
- e. Executive: Nothing to report.

#### VI. Good of the Order

Chuck Drake discussed recent CSX training in Shelby County. He found training to be very beneficial and provided additional information to the LEPC about CSX response to train derailments in the county.

#### VIII. Next Meeting

Next meeting will be December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

IX. Adjournment: With No further business to be presented; it was moved by Joel Smith to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Stan Kegley. Meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.