

## LEPC Meeting Minutes – January 27, 2025 – Commissioner’s Room

Meeting called to order at 8:00am

Attended by: Bill Morr, Alicia Milliman, Mark Eagleson, Denise Landers, Jeremy Hoover, Terry Martin, Jim Young, Aaron Fugate, Bill Huffer, and Grace Hochstetler.

### Old Business

Mark Eagleson made a motion to approve the minutes from September 30, 2024. Jim Young seconded the motion and all approved.

Bill Morr advised that the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan meetings will be beginning soon. GIS is working with Burke Engineering to get things started.

Jim Young made a motion to approve spending \$15.97 for the Legal Notice to Hurd Media (LaGrange Paper). Aaron Fugate seconded the motion and all approved.

Bill Morr advised that he received a Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness Grant (HMEP) in the amount of \$6,000 to pay our portion of 2025 Full-Scale Exercise.

Bill Morr advised that the ICS 300/400 class held in November 2024 cost \$844.48 after grant money. This was an approved expenditure at the last meeting.

Bill Morr advised that he has possession of the Decontamination Shower that was donated by the District 3 Healthcare Coalition. Plan to train on it once weather breaks.

### New Business

Bill Morr asked for Grace Hochstetler to be added to the 2025 Roster. Jim Young made a motion to approve the 2025 Roster with Grace added. Aaron Fugate seconded the motion and all approved.

Jim Young made a nomination to keep officers the same for 2025. All were in favor.

Terry Martin – Chair  
Tracy Harker – Vice Chair  
Bill Morr - Secretary

Aaron Fugate made a motion to approve the 2025 Bylaws. Mark Eagleson seconded the motion and all approved.

Jim Young made a motion to approve the Fiscal and Auditor Reports for 2024. Aaron Fugate seconded the motion and all approved.

Bill Morr advised the committee that only one company, Resilient Strategies, LLC has submitted a proposal for the 2025 exercise. The total cost is \$7,950. splitting the cost with Steuben County, our portion would be \$3,975. This will be covered by the HMEP Grant. The company is sending a revised proposal due to the splitting of costs. Aaron Fugate made a motion to approve and have Terry or Bill sign it when received. Jim Young seconded the motion and all approved.


Bill Huffer, Indiana State Haz-Mat Specialist for Northern Indiana spoke about many trainings being offered including Indiana Week at SERTC in Pueblo, Colorado September 29-October 3, 2025. This is a FEMA sponsored training and all costs are covered by FEMA. He also talked about the Indiana Hazardous Materials Conference that is being held October 22-24, 2025 in Plainfield, Indiana. LEPC funds are able to be used to pay for this conference. Bill gave fliers on the information and on the capabilities of his department. These have been emailed to the committee.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 24.

Aaron Fugate made a motion to adjourn at 8:17. Jim Young seconded the motion and all approved.



Tracy Harker, Vice-Chairman



Date