



Missouri Emergency Response Commission
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Missouri Emergency Response Commission Meeting Minutes

Date and Time: 10:00 a.m. July 18, 2024

Location:

SEMA Conference Room

WebEx Call In: (650) 479-3207

Meeting number (access code): 2630 994 3357

Meeting password: hnHYVMw4q85

Attendees: Terry Cassil, Lisa Jobe, Kim Brundage, LeAnn Hoelscher, Alex Fisher, Karen Eagleson, Sara Allen, Greg Landwehr, Pete Martin, Cory Jorgensen, Sean Counihan, Patrick Seamands, Chris Berndt, Angie Giddings, Stephen McLane, Nikol Enyart, Lisa Cardone, Tim Taylor, Amy Lepper (for the LEPC/D Grant discussion only)

Welcome/Introductions

Minutes from 4-12-24 Meeting

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Sean Counihan

Second: Cory Jorgenson

Motion Carried

Minutes from 5-31-24 Webex Meeting

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Lisa Cardone

Second: Cory Jorgenson

Motion Carried

Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion: Lisa Cardone

Second: Cory Jorgenson

Motion Carried

Old Business:

- Update on the MERC Budget and Staffing: We are putting a hold on Director position for now and Terry Cassil will be acting director. Kelby has left the MERC for a full-time position. Regarding the budget, we are on track with projects as of right now. We do have the budget for the coming year until June 30, 2025.
- Update on Tier II System: Karen had 25 line items that we needed adjusted after Tier II season was over. More folks are getting back into Cameo system. Ours only does it in Excel. We also tasked Chris Berndt, Chairman
Cory Jorgensen, Vice-Chairman

them with taking the fees off at the end of August 28th, since we can no longer collect. We will still be able to collect past due fees. Everything else is still part of the federal mandate and will carry on as usual.

- Discussion of the LEPC/D grant: Amy Lepper- FY24 is closed up and paid. We awarded \$807,579.36, \$602,371.20 was paid out and \$205,208.16 unexpended. DFS and DNR will collect the old firefighting foam. New foam is available for purchase and the LEPC/Ds want to know if they can purchase new foam with LEPC/D grant money. They will try to collect all the old foam, possibly this Fall. DNR has received EPA grant funding to dispose of the old foam. We think the grant will be coming out fairly soon. Terry will take calls for the grant. When DNR sent out a survey, they said there were thousands of gallons of old foam out there.
- FY 2024 sunset of fee structure updates: Terry- set up meeting Remillard and DPS legal to talk about how to move forward. We have the money in the account and we can allocate that money. Not sure how that will happen. Fees have to be distributed back.
- By-Law Update: Lisa Cardone- a few comment changes and made those changes. Mostly matched it to the state regulations. Patrick's position wasn't listed. Will send out updates and vote on it at the next meeting.
- HMEP Training and Grant update: Lisa Jobe- business as usual, training is continuing. We aren't able to provide as many classes as we have in the past.

Director Remillard will be traveling to the PHMSA conference in August to see if there are any new guidelines.

New Business:

- Status of MERC Director- discussed during old business above.

MERC Staff reports

- CEPF- Working with a couple of counties to reactivate. Alex is training and once she is trained, she will be the sole planner.
- Tier II System- Sent out postcards this year instead of thumb drives. We still have 50 facilities that haven't paid yet this year. We are trying to get those collected.
- HMEP- PAM meetings and schedule are provided in the folder.
- Director Items- not previously discussed

Partner Agency Reports

- DHSS- Cory: Busy training in St Louis and Cole County hazmat, Tabletop coming up in Franklin County. Have done 24 shipments of cobalt shipments, 414 low level shipments, got a new truck, completed full scale exercise at Cooper Nuclear.
- DFS- Report attached. Moving forward they are hoping to spend all the money next year. They have \$54,000 worth of classes scheduled.
- EPA- No report
- MoDNR- Report attached. Will try to be present at RSOC and LEPC meetings, regional SEMA meetings, etc.
- 7th CST- No report

Motion to Adjourn

Chris Berndt, Chairman

Cory Jorgensen, Vice-Chairman

Motion: Sean Counihan
Second: Cory Jorgenson
Motion Carried

Next Meeting at SEMA:
October 17, 2024
Rescheduled to October 10, 2024
Time: 10:00 am.