Rockingham County Local Emergency Planning Committee
Agriculture Building
April 22, 2009

Members Present: Melina Ward, Terry Shelton, Jay Harris, Doug Vick, Rob Chester, Randolph Harrison, Walter Romine, Ken Gusler, Brannon Russell, Joey Koford, Lisa Ellington, Robert Cardwell, Rodney Stewart, Joyce Parrish, Steve Hale, Jason Stogner

The meeting was called to order by Steve Hale at 9:10 a.m.

Minutes of the February 2009 meeting were approved as presented. (1st: Ken Gusler, 2nd: Joey Koford).

Training Update: Steve Hale

- Steve began with mentioning that several requests for ICS classes have been made and that dates will soon be determined. Steve said once the dates are set, everyone would be notified. Steve then turned it over to Doug Vick to discuss the Miller Exercise. Doug said the exercise was a success and thanked everyone who participated. Joey Koford then addressed the exercise saying it was a great opportunity for the hospital. Steve continued his update with information about the gang recognition workshop. It would be a Train-The-Trainer type workshop, in which participants would be trained and then certified to go out and teach the workshop to others within their agency. The materials to do so would also be provided. Steve then discussed other upcoming events, with an exercise schedule as follows: table-top in summer ‘09, functional in fall ‘09 or spring ‘10, concluded by a full-scale in summer ‘10. Steve also mentioned that VIPER was up and running and that coverage was great. Jay Harris followed up by saying Reidsville was extremely satisfied. Steve concluded with announcing that Emergency Services should be moving into the new building in May and by July 1st everyone should be moved in. He was anticipating an open house in mid-June.

Emergency Management Report: Randolph Harrison

- Randolph began with discussing the Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness Grant and said things were currently on hold. He said there was an increase in grant monies and he believed it would be around $10,000 per LEPC. He said he was currently working with DPR 1 with commodity flow studies. Randolph advised about an upcoming hazmat class called “Street Smart Chemistry”, which was a 40 hr course. He then mentioned that the results of the Toxic Release Inventory report were published and that Charlotte and Asheville areas were near the top of the list. He said to visit the EPA website for more information. Randolph then announced that there has been a recall on certain level A suits made by DuPont and to contact local RRT for more information. He then discussed the latest news on Tier II reports and briefly talked about E-Plan. He
said there is approximately 6,000 facilities required to report in NC and that over 5,100 of these facilities reported with E-Plan this first year of implementation. Randolph concluded by saying the E-Plan was great for planning purposes and that it could be updated at any time.

Old Business:

- No old business was mentioned.

New Business:

- Nominations were held for Vice-Chair due to the resignation of Ms. Mary Jo Press. Doug Vick was nominated by Jay Harris and 2nd by Joey Koford. Motion was made to close nomination by Jay Harris and 2nd by Lisa Ellington. Doug Vick accepts nomination and all members present vote. Doug Vick is named Vice-Chair.
- Dan from Williams Pipeline will do a presentation at the next LEPC meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 22, 2009 at 9am in the new Emergency Services Building.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 am.

Submitted by:
Jason Stogner
Secretary