

**MINUTES  
NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA  
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Gainesville Regional Utilities Eastside Operation Center  
Gainesville FL

November 8, 2018  
10:00 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Shayne Morgan, Chair  
Darian Brown  
Robert Garbett  
Scott Garner  
Matt Doty  
Amy Sweeney  
Kevin Carr  
J.L. Waldron  
Christopher Bond  
Ebbin Spellman  
Chris Leavitt  
Bruce Jordan, Vice-Chair  
Michael Laycock  
David Peaton, Vice-Chair  
Ralph Smith  
Sharon Hingson  
Ed Ward  
Alan Whigham  
Scott Holowasko  
Ebbin Spellman

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Dave Dickens  
Michael Fowler  
Mitch Harrell  
Michael Holmes  
Jeff Huffman  
Paul Kremer  
Henry Land  
Marc Land  
John MacDonald  
David McIntire  
Augustin Olmos  
Sandi Courson  
Tim Smoak  
Lisa Sprague  
David Still  
Tim Westbury

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Silver B. Ware  
Michael Haney  
Michael Woods

**STAFF PRESENT**

Dwayne Mundy

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 am.

**I. CHAIR'S REPORT AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Chair Shayne Morgan called the meeting to order. Attendees introduced themselves and Shayne Morgan gave a brief Chair's report. Chair Morgan reported that the most recent State Emergency Response Commission Meeting was cancelled due to impacts in the panhandle of Hurricane Michael..

**II. APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 16, 2018 MEETING MINUETS**

**Action: It was moved by Bruce Jordan and seconded by David Peaton to adopt the meeting minutes as modified. The motion passed unanimously**

III. Chemical Safety Board Video: 2017 Fire at the Arkema Chemical Plant in Crosby, Texas, following Hurricane Harvey

The video showed the impacts of an extreme flooding event on a chemical company.

IV. BUSINESS ITEMS

Next, County Reports were given on Hurricane Michael Response, Hazardous Materials Incidents, and Activities. The Committee was reminded that Hazardous Materials Awareness Week, February 24 - March 2, 2019. A proclamation will be issued next meeting.

The Annual How-to-Comply workshop was held on November 8, 2018, prior to this meeting. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection Tanks Database is being used to invite facilities that appear to have Tier II reporting requirements but are not reporting. This includes non-retail facilities and sites with above ground tanks of 2,000 gallons or more.

V. PUBLIC INFORMATION ISSUES

The group discussed the update of the emergency response plan and that no significant changes are included in the update this year. Next, the group discussed other public information issues including a recommendation to present hazardous materials information during hurricanes since they are not the only hazards to threaten a county.

Future workshops include shelter in-place, evacuation, and an overview of Florida's Local Emergency Planning Committees. Updates were given on Tier II reporting, and that the annual update of the hazardous analyses.

The Shelter In-Place page on the Local Emergency Planning Committee webpage has been updated and is available for each county emergency agency to link to the information. The Local Emergency Planning Committee is interested in participating in three full-scale pipeline exercises to be held next year.

VI. FIRST RESPONDER ISSUES

The group reviewed the hazardous materials first responders training classes that were recently held. Upcoming activities include sending individuals to the Hazardous Materials Symposium and conducting hybrid 160-hour technician class. Current offerings include two air monitoring classes and the first one-half of the hybrid technician class in Levy County.

It was reported that a U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration Technical Assistance Grant is being used to provide three four-gas detectors and calibration kits to each of the following local governments: City of Gainesville, Bradford County, Columbia County, Dixie County, Gilchrist County, Hamilton County, Lafayette County, Levy County, City of Madison, Suwannee County and Taylor County.

The purpose is to increase capabilities for responding to natural gas pipeline incidents. Firefighters in each county need be able to respond to a natural gas leak and determine if an area is vulnerable to a flammable threat. Training with the Health Care Coalitions was discussed as

well as how to manage chemically contaminated victims. Counties were asked to report on Hazardous Materials Incidents and Activities that have occurred in their counties.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS AND INFORMATION REQUESTS

No other business or information requests were made.

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION

It was decided the next meeting will be held in Gainesville on February 21, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

  
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Chair

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