

WARREN COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

October 31, 1988

Members Present

Hammond Robertson, Chairman  
Board of Directors

Sheriff Fred Lamy

Joan Grishkot, Director  
Health Services

Marvin Lemery, Administrator  
Fire Prevention & Building Code Enforcement

Thomas Jenkins, Deputy Director  
Office of Natural Disaster & Civil Defense

James Canavan, Coordinator  
Emergency Medical Services

Michael C. Robinson, M.D., Chairman  
Dept. of Emergency Medicine, Glens Falls Hospital

Karen Rae, Director  
Greater Glens Falls Transit System

Chellie Mitchell, Business Manager  
WBZA

Mrs. LaVerne B. Fagel, Manager  
Safety, Health & Environmental Assurance  
Ciba-Geigy Corp.

Philip J. Arthur  
Environmental Control Manager  
Finch Pruyn & Company, Inc.

R. F. Davies, President  
Ames Goldsmith, Inc.

Members Absent

Frank Kelly  
Board of Directors, Senior Citizens

Mark Behan, Managing Editor  
The Post Star

Guests

Frank Griffin, Regional Director  
SEMO- Region II

Fred Austin, P.E., Director  
Office of Natural Disaster & Civil Defense

Civil Defense Staff

The meeting was opened at 10:15 a.m.

Mr. Jenkins introduced Mr. Robertson to the Committee.

Mr. Robertson thanked everyone for their interest and support. He stressed importance of Title III and pledged Warren County's support in whatever is necessary to maintain the program. He then turned the meeting back to Mr. Jenkins.

Mr. Jenkins gave a brief rundown of S.A.R.A., Title III, its requirements, deadlines and objectives. He explained how Warren County's plan was written, how information was obtained and assimilated into the plan and finalized into the product given to each member today. He explained what still needed to be done and what was necessary to get it done.

Mr. Griffin from S.E.M.O. was introduced. He explained the role of the State of New York regarding these requirements and presented a tape entitled "Understanding Title III and Community Right to Know".

Mr. Jenkins then called for elections for Committee Chairman, Plan Coordinator, and Information Coordinator. By unanimous vote Mr. Jenkins was elected to all posts.

He then reviewed the plan with the Committee, explaining briefly each section and requesting that everyone review the entire plan and make suggestions as to revisions or additions.

Three sub-committees were appointed:

Ms. Mitchell will contact the other local radio stations, the television station and the cable companies regarding emergency broadcasting. She will write a draft plan to present to the committee at the next meeting.

Ms. Rae will contact all the other sources of transportation and compile a listing of all their equipment and which is handicap-accessible. She will also find out what is required in order to use these in case of the need to evacuate.

Mr. Robertson will get a definite commitment from an Elected Official which is a requirement for our committee.

The entire committee will give consideration to the post of Environmental Representative.

Everyone agreed that the most important thing was that the public be informed by whatever means necessary. Some suggestions were: Press releases on committee activities; a series of articles on Title III and the importance of preparation before an emergency strikes; interviews on local radio and television stations of committee members.

It was agreed by all that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, November 29, 1988 at 10 a.m. in the Civil Defense Meeting Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.