

WARREN COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

January 17, 1989

Members Present

Sheriff Fred Lamy

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

James Canavan, Coordinator
Emergency Medical Services

Karen Rae, Director
Greater Glens Falls Transit System

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

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

Hammond Robertson, Chairman
Warren County Board of Supervisors

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

Jeff Jones
Environmental Representative

Members Absent

Joan Grishkot, Director
Health Services

Marvin Lemery, Administrator
Fire Prevention & Building Code Enforcement

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

Chellie Mitchell, Business Manager
WBZA

Frank Kelly
Board of Directors, Senior Citizens

Gary Kebbel, Managing Editor
The Post Star

Hon. Robert D'Andrea
Assemblyman - 108th District

Guests

Frank Griffin, Regional Director
SEMO- Region II

Civil Defense Staff

Steve Craig, Hazard Materials Representative
for the New York State Police, Troop G

This meeting was held at Finch Pruyn at the invitation of Philip Arthur, and was opened by Tom Jenkins, Chairman, at 10:15 a.m.

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

Mr. Jenkins informed the group of the addition of two (2) new members of the committee which completes the requirements. The Elected State Official is the Honorable Robert D'Andrea, Assemblyman for the 108th District and the Environmental Representative will be Jeff Jones. Mr. Jenkins introduced Jeff Jones, and Mr. Jones gave a brief biographical summary.

Mr. Jenkins then made two (2) motions. One to make Joan Dillon, Civil Defense staff member, the official secretary to the Committee and the other to elect a vice-chairman. Philip Arthur of Finch Pruyn was nominated and seconded as vice-chairman. Both motions passed with no opposition.

We then asked the State Police representative to introduce himself. He explained he was sitting in for Sgt. Heber, Haz Mat Coordinator of Troop G, Loudonville, who was unable to attend. He said that they are just there as interested observers and would like to offer any assistance they can to our Committee.

LaVerne Fagel stated that Ciba-Geigy has ceased operations and from a manufacturing standpoint is closed. By January 27, 1989, they expect to be reduced to a non-reporting status. Mr. Jenkins told her when that occurred to send us a formal letter which we would forward to SERC

Mr. Jenkins then reported to the Committee that he had been in touch with several water treatment plants, and the ones who needed to (with one exception) had complied with the requirements. Mr. Griffin then mentioned that there was a group which maintained lists of chlorinating water plants and gave the address to the secretary.

We then proceeded with a tour of the Finch Pruyn facility which we all found quite interesting. Thank you to Mr. Arthur for arranging this for our group.

During the tour, Mr. Arthur mentioned that Finch Pruyn had purchased 14 monitors for chlorine used and stored on the premises. They will be in place in approximately 90 days.

The meeting was reconvened in Finch Pruyn's board room. Mr. Jenkins quickly went over the items in the packet which had been handed out earlier, which included some changes to the plan and the final EBS plan.

Mr. Jenkins asked who would be going to the SARA conference in Albany on Thursday and Friday. Mr. Arthur said he was definitely going and Ms. Rae said that she hoped that her schedule would allow her to attend.

Mr. Jenkins discussed the need for a Public Officials Meeting and read a letter he had drafted for this purpose. A date and time have not been decided yet but all Committee members will be requested to attend.

Karen Rae said that she had received equipment lists from several sources and hopes to finalize the lists for our next meeting. At that time she hopes several Committee members can get together to help plan the evacuation routes.

Our next meeting will be held at the Municipal Center in Room 6-103 on Tuesday, March 7th at 10:00 a.m.

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