

WARREN COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

April 25, 1989

Members Present

Sheriff Fred Lamy

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

Karen Rae, Director
Greater Glens Falls Transit System

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

Marvin Lemery, Administrator
Fire Prevention & Building Code Enforcement

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

Gary Kebbel, Managing Editor
The Post Star

Herbert E. Riedel
Senior Citizens Council

Joan Dillon
Secretary LEPC

Members Absent

Hammond Robertson, Chairman
Warren County Board of Supervisors

Joan Grishkot, Director
Health Services

James Canavan, Coordinator
Emergency Medical Services

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

Chellie Mitchell, Business Manager
WBZA

Hon. Robert D'Andrea
Assemblyman - 108th District

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

Jeff Jones
Environmental Representative

The meeting was opened by Tom Jenkins, Chairman, at 10:06 a.m.

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

New pages for the EBS plan were handed out. It was rewritten as two plans; one for radio and one for TV as they have special requirements. Two TV stations and four radio stations have agreed to cooperate.

We ran into a problem with the Glens Falls Fire Dept. Emergency Plan. It seems it was not the official plan for the department. Tom rewrote the plan and met and reviewed it with the Fire Chief. He took a copy to review for any changes they might want to make and as soon as it is returned to us we will make copies for inclusion to all copies of our plan.

Our Public Officials Conference was attended by 37 representatives of various agencies. Articles relating to it appeared in the Post Star and The Chronicle (copies attached).

The Chairman then called for sub-committee reports. Marv Lemery said that he has put some things together but has not had time to contact the other members of his committee but he will do so in the next week or so. Karen Rae has all the information required and just needs to plot it and decide on a format. Reappointments must be made for the Publicity Committee due to the resignation of Jeff Jones.

Jeff's letter of resignation was read. A letter of thanks on behalf of the committee was mailed to him.

A new environmental representative must be appointed and a request for suggestions was made. Several ideas of the chairman were presented and it was agreed that he should pursue them.

A publication titled "Community Plume" was shown and it was determined that the only other member receiving it was Marv Lemery. It was agreed that it would be useful to the LEPC members and that all names would be submitted for their mailing list.

A letter dated February 15, 1989 from Attorney General Robert Abrams to Dr. Axelrod regarding the liability of LEPC members in their assigned roles. It is the opinion of the Attorney General that in this capacity they would be considered State employees and as such would be covered under Section 17 of the Public Officers Law. (copy attached)

The attendance of the chairman and secretary at a SEMO Exercise Design Course and the benefits derived from it were discussed.

Ron Davies of Ames Goldsmith mentioned that they had a fire at the plant and that the emergency procedures as set up were followed and that everything went according to plan.

Marv Lemery mentioned that if we suffered any type of disaster it would most likely occur on the Northway. Everyone agreed that it was our greatest problem; established industry being the least likely to be involved.

Karen Rae suggested disseminating information through the schools through literature and personal visits.

Marv Lemery suggested that we obtain training tapes of other disasters and the procedures effectively used in them for viewing by civic organizations, etc. to inform them of what we are trying to do and get their cooperation.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 20 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 6-103 at the Municipal Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.