

WARREN COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

August 15, 1989

Members Present

Hammond Robertson, Chairman  
Warren County Board of Supervisors

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

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

Marvin Lemery, Administrator  
Fire Prevention & Building Code Enforcement

James Canavan, Coordinator  
Emergency Medical Services

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

Herbert E. Riedel  
Senior Citizens Council

Karen Rae, Director  
Greater Glens Falls Transit System

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

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

Chief Thomas Donohue  
Glens Falls Fire Dept.

Chief Carl Carlton  
Glens Falls Police Dept.

Joan Dillon  
Secretary LEPC

Members Absent

Sheriff Fred Lamy

Joan Grishkot, Director  
Health Services

Chellie Mitchell, Business Manager  
WBZA

Hon. Robert D'Andrea  
Assemblyman - 108th District

Members Absent (continued)

Gary Kebbel, Managing Editor  
The Post Star

William M. Roden  
Environmental Columnist

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

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

The chairman announced three new committee members; Bill Roden as our environmental representative, Glens Falls Fire Chief Tom Donohue, and Glens Falls Police Chief Carl Carlton. We are in the process of having them confirmed by the State Emergency Response Commission.

As discussed at the last meeting the chairman met with Dave Healt of James River and is now in receipt of the information he gave to Saratoga County. He has since written to him requesting an inventory of the emergency equipment at the site and some sort of emergency alerting plan. The only things submitted to Saratoga County were the MSDS forms. When the rest of the information is received by us we will compile it into a plan and give copies to both James River and Saratoga County for their records.

We received a letter advising us that the Poison Control Centers are being closed or cut back drastically. It seemed like a serious problem so Tom wrote to the President of the Warren County Medical Society and the Administrator of Glens Falls Hospital expressing our concern, which resulted in contact by them to the State Medical Society and the Governor.

We also received a letter from Ciba-Geigy stating that they have officially ceased operations and that all chemicals have been removed from their site. (Copy attached.) Please remove their plan from your Title III plan books and replace with this letter.

On September 19-21 the State Preparedness Commission is sponsoring a conference. Members of all LEPCs are invited to attend. Copies of the agenda and registration forms are attached. There is a \$50.00 fee which covers all materials, workshops, meals and breaks. This will be attended by the Chairman and the Secretary.

We have turned an office in the Emergency Operating Center into a Plan Room. We have put everything into binders, labelled them clearly and have them arranged on shelves in this room. As we do this we are also reading them over and making any necessary updates or changes. When it is completed, we will get in touch with Sheriff Lamy, Marv Lemery, Jim Canavan and anyone else that is emergency-oriented to let them see what is available and see what we can do to make this information as accessible as possible.

There were no sub-committee reports.

There is a meeting in Albany on September 18 on School Emergency Planning put on jointly by the State Emergency Management Office and the Board of Education. Attendance is mandatory for schools and Civil Defense personnel.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m.