

## WARREN COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

September 10, 1991

**Members Present**

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

Marvin Lemery, Administrator  
Fire Prevention & Building Code Enforcement

James Canavan, Coordinator  
Emergency Medical Services

Karen Rae, Director  
Greater Glens Falls Transit System

Ron Davies, President  
Ames Goldsmith, Inc.

Sheriff Fred Lamy

Chief Carl Carlton  
Glens Falls Police Dept.

Joan Dillon  
Secretary LEPC

**Members Absent**

Donald Sheeley, M.D., Director  
Dept. of Emergency Medicine, Glens Falls Hospital

James G. Marshall, Publisher/Editor  
The Post Star

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

William M. Roden  
Environmental Columnist

Herbert E. Riedel  
Senior Citizens Council

Chief Thomas Donohue  
Glens Falls Fire Dept.

Joan Grishkot, Director  
Health Services

Hon. Robert D'Andrea  
Assemblyman - 108th District

The Chairman opened the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

The grant for RACES equipment we applied for was approved. We will be applying for a new FEMA grant for 1992 in which we hope to include a new alerting system for the Municipal Center. Mr. Lemery asked if there would be any money in that grant to install an inter-building paging system. Tom told him that these are pretty strict and that they must be for Civil Defense.

The chairman gave an update on our Emergency Operating Center and explained what it is to be used for.

We sent a letter to all auto parts distributors with a questionnaire regarding the storage of sulphuric acid. All but two responded, all indicated they did not store enough.

As the acting Chairman of the Red Cross Disaster Committee, Tom met with the participants. He then briefly explained their objectives.

Frank Griffin of SEMO was going to give a demonstration of a computerized haz mat program but was unable to attend. We will try to reschedule him.

The swimming pool operators false alarm generated the fact that the LEPC once a year is required to publish a legal ad stating where and when the Emergency Plan is available. We have complied and will continue to do so on an annual basis.

The Chairman asked Jim Canavan about the progress of his planned hospital drill. Jim has hit a few snags. Most agencies don't want to participate in a haz mat drill due to lack of training in that field; some of the corporations are reluctant to have people think of them as hazardous. The Chairman suggested simulating a tractor trailer accident on the Northway. Mr. Lemery mentioned some of the problems recently encountered with a small incident with a tar bucket. Some discussion ensued. Nothing was resolved.

The Chairman and secretary will be attending the Disaster Preparedness Conference in Albany.

It was suggested that we replace Mr. D'Andrea on the LEPC as his schedule does not seem to allow his attendance. Any suggestions can be discussed at our next meeting.

Carl Carlton suggested that we critique any multi-jurisdictional or multi-agency incident. He felt that although it might ruffle a few feathers it would very beneficial in helping pinpoint areas that need improvement. It was agreed that this was a good idea and we should look into it further.

The committee will meet next on Tuesday, December 10, 1991 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.