

**Butte/Silver Bow**  
**Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)/**  
**Citizen Corps Council (CCC)**  
Minutes for March 27, 2019

**Attendees** - \*denotes LEPC member or proxy

Carey, Lisa	BSB Office of Emergency Management
Crowley, Jeremy	Montana Bureau Mines Geology
Dennehy, Dan*	BSB Director of Office of Emergency Management
Hoar, Todd	BSB Disability Council
Holland, Pat*	BSB Buildings Manager
Johnson, Stephanie*	BSB County Library
Kujava, Matt	REC Silicon
Marthaller, Kurt	BSB School District #1
Maloney, Cathy*	BSB School District Superintendent
McKillips, Mike	BSB MIS IT
McPherson, Dave*	911 Manager (LEPC Chairman)
McGloughlin, Terry	REC Silicon
Miller, Jeff	BSB Fire Department
Morgan, Marissa*	EHS Director, MT Tech
Murphy, Jim	REC Silicon
Pewitt, Rodney*	Amateur Radio
Phillips, Jen	St. James Healthcare
Ries, John	Mayor of Walkerville, MT
Rolich, John*	BSB Health Department
Schlickemayer, John	American Red Cross

**Excused Absence:**

Alne, Rod	15-90 SAR
Brown, Josh	Montana Highway Patrol
Chamberlin, Pam*	Bert Mooney Airport
Eveland, Bud*	BSB Fire Council
Lester, Ed*	BSB Law Enforcement
Maloughney, Karen*	BSB Public Health Department
Neal, Brad*	BSB Office of Emergency Management
Parish, Jason	BSB MIT IT/ PIO
Seys, Cinda*	BSB Safety and Risk Management
Shaw, Cindi*	BSB Commissioner
Stickney, Mike*	MT Bureau of Mines & Geology

**Absent:**

Egervary, Mary-Jo	American Red Cross
McGree, Mike*	A-1 Ambulance
Roberts, Ben*	Montana Precision Products
Sparks, Bandi	Northwestern Energy
Wulf, Tim*	BSB Safety and Risk Management

**I. CALL TO ORDER- CHAIRPERSON DAVE MCPHERSON**

LEPC Chairman Dave McPherson called the March 27, 2019 meeting of the Butte/Silver Bow (B/SB) Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) and Citizen Corps Council (CCC) to order at 12:05 pm in the Butte Silver Bow Emergency Operation Center.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Attendance sign-in form was distributed and reflected in the attendee list above.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman called for approval of February 27, 2019 minutes. Minutes were approved unanimously.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY MATTER NOT ON THE AGENDA**

No public comments.

**V. PRESENTATION- National Weather Service**

Ray Nickless and Marty Whitmore presented current and historical data about snow pack and other weather data for Southwestern Montana. They stated that snow received in the mountains this year was normal/average, while the valleys saw a large increase in the amount of snow received.

**VI. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE/PRE-DISASTER MITIGATION PLANNING MEETING**

*Ed Lester, Dave McPherson, Dan Dennehy, Jeff Miller, Brad Neal, Jen Phillips, Karen Maloughney*

The CEMP update and formatting has been completed submitted to DES for approval.

**B. EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND PREPAREDNESS SUBCOMMITTEE**

*Jeff Miller, Dan Dennehy, Ed Lester, Dave McPherson, Cinda Seys*

- The EMPG and HSG were submitted to DES and the State Advisory Committee.
- *Decision regarding funding of the EMPG and HSG will be completed in April*
- *Flooding update in BSB-*  
The gradual melt (warm days/cold nights) has helped significantly with flooding and we should have seen the worst of it unless we have a wet spring.

**C. TRAINING AND EXERCISE SUBCOMMITTEE**

*Jennifer Phillips, Mike McGree, Dan Dennehy*

- The MDES and local governments are having an Emergency Management Forum scheduled for 4/30/19 through 5/2/19 in Helena, Mt. Any member of the LEPC is welcome to attend.
- MDES training and exercise list. (see attachment)
- Active shooter exercise for School District- Exercise will be held in a Classroom setting. Dates for this training exercise will be announced soon.

**D. COMMUNICATION /LEPC GRANT SUBCOMMITTEE**

*Ed Lester, Jeff Miller, Dan Dennehy, Mike McGree, Dave McPherson*

- **911 Committee Updates/ Pilot study for 800 MHz coverage in BSB**  
Continue to test available options to allow reliable communications between first responders, currently testing Motorola's 800 Mhz coverage and radios. Public Safety Group met with the BSB Chief Executive and Finance Officer to submit a capital improvement plan to fund this upgrade.
- **Update on upgrade to Mobile Communication Van**  
Having extra funds in the MCV grant, OEM submitted a request to use the remaining funds to purchase a drone for BSB Emergency Responders as well as any other BSB offices that may have a need for Drone technology. One requirement for FEMA was adopting Drone Policy and Procedures which were completed and adopted by the Council of Commissioners on March 6, 2019. We are still waiting for final approval from FEMA before being able to complete the Drone purchase.

**E. UNIFIED HEALTH COMMAND**

*Karen Maloughney, Ed Lester, Jeff Miller, Jennifer Phillips*

- Team Course for Trauma education on April 25th at St. James from 5pm-7pm in Dining Rooms A & B. Dinner provided; RSVP required.
- MT Western Regional Healthcare Coalition Surge Exercise will be May 9, 2019 from 8:00am to 11:30am at the EOC—Practice evacuation plan from smaller hospitals and a surge exercise for St James Healthcare. This exercise will be a no to low notice so they may not know what emergency will be used in the exercise until day-of the training. St James is hoping that it will be a realistic emergency such as Wildfire that is used in the exercise.
- St James received a \$32,000 grant for the purchase of 16 Purified Air Personal Respirators.
- Western Coalition has accepted ownership of a trailer to house a cache of supplies for an emergency medical surge.
- Full Scale Exercise for Closed Point of Distribution (medicines/vaccinations) scheduled in September. Tabletop may be sufficient for this exercise.

**F. SHELTERING SUBCOMMITTEE**

*Jeff Miller, Jennifer Phillips, Todd Hoar, John Rolich, Kurt Marthaller, John Schlichenmeyer, Pat Holland*

Working with ARC on updating and developing new MOU's for shelters in BSB using ARC sheltering list. Red Cross has submitted a schedule of availability so we can schedule a time to get the committee together.

- VII. ADJOURNMENT-** Date for next meeting: The April 24, 2019 meeting will have to be rescheduled due to a scheduling conflict. New meeting date TBD.