LEPC Meeting Minutes

Date: September 19, 2024 **Start Time:** 11:00 AM **Location:** Hybrid (in-person and remote)

1. Attendance

- In-person: Dave Wilson (Acting Chairperson), Ed Riehle (VA Hospital Emergency Management), Mike Buser (Iowa City Safety).
- **Remote Participants:** Travis Beckman (Des Moines Conference), Royceann Porter, Fiona Johnson, Melissa (Engie), Mike Parker

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Date of Previous Meeting: December 19, 2023.
- Action: Motion to approve minutes by Ed; seconded by Mike. Passed unanimously.

3. Old Business

- Multi-Agency Exercise (August 2):
 - Location: Clear Creek Amana High School.
 - Participation: 53 agencies, 138 participants.
 - Involved: Hazmat team, bomb team, police, fire, ambulance.
 - Outcome: After-action report to be circulated by September.
 - Feedback: Positive and educational experience.

4. New Business and Updates

County Hazmat Team Report (Travis):

- Incident Report: Trailer spillage on Cedar County interstate; Iowa City Fire assisted without billing.
- Recruitment Efforts:
 - Three new applications, with two pending from the University of Iowa Hospitals.
 - Goal: Increase volunteer numbers to reduce reliance on Iowa City Fire.
- Training & Exercises:
 - Proposed pipeline-focused exercise for 2025.

• Replacement of river boom scheduled.

Facility and Equipment Updates:

- New ambulance bay with a decontamination facility by 2025.
- Planned decontamination and radiological exercises.
- Funding secured for new credentialing and badging system.
- Training opportunity: Paradigm pipeline exercise (October 21, Tipton).

Emergency Notification Requirements (Melissa):

- Compliance:
 - Suggested using systems like Rave Mobile or similar tools for notifications.
 - Backup line for non-emergency notifications: (319) 356-6800.

HAM Radio Updates (Mike):

- Focus Areas:
 - Updating documentation for equipment and procedures.
 - Expanding involvement with other agencies.

5. Emergency Response Plan (Annual Review)

- Scheduled for January/February 2025.
- Focus: Transition from individual names to titles for contact information due to staff turnover.

6. Closing Remarks

- Meeting Adjourned: 18 minutes after start time.
- Motion to Adjourn: Fiona; seconded by Mike. Passed unanimously.
- Next Steps: Travis to circulate exercise training links and emergency response plan updates.