

1 **Minutes of the Denali Borough Local Emergency Planning**
2 **Committee (LEPC) Meeting**
3 **Denali Borough Office**
4 **Healy**
5 **June 7th, 2017**
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8 **CALL TO ORDER:**

9 The committee meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve Love at 6:00 pm.
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11 **ROLL CALL:**

12 Steve Love, LEPC Chairman – Marge Nord, Cantwell Fire Department/Denali LEPC - Sam Kimmel, Tri-Valley Fire
13 Department/Denali LEPC – Kate Batten, Tri-Valley Fire Department/ Denali LEPC – Baxter Mercer, Tri-Valley Fire
14 Department/Denali LEPC - Joe Chatfield, Denali LEPC – Chris Noel, LEPC Coordinator – Clay Walker, Denali LEPC
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16 **Others Present:**

17 Colin Blair, SoA DHS & EM – Kelly Isham, SoA DHS & EM – Dale Nord, Cantwell Fire Department - Justin Mason,
18 Cantwell Fire Department – Sherry Keever, Healy Resident – Paul Larson, Denali National Park – Susan Adams,
19 Kobe Ag. Area – Tommy Zanders Sr., Clear AFS FD – Brian Williams, Clear AFS FD – Joe Mirasole, Clear AFS FD –
20 Dave Conklin, Clear AFS FD – Dave DeCaro, McKinley Village Fire Department
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22 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

23 Steve moved to approve the agenda, seconded. Approved
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25 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

26 The minutes were approved.
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28 **REPORTS:**

29 All present thanked the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management representatives for
30 attending the meeting.
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32 **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 33 a. Revision of the All - Hazards Plan, Update: The committee was presented with a draft Tactical
34 Emergency Operations annex for the All - Hazards plan. There was no action taken. There was no update
35 on the resource section review underway, and the committee will look for a report at the next meeting.
36 b. Address Letter to PO Box holders, Responses: The committee considered the written comments
37 submitted directly to the Borough office, as well as the new LEPC email address, denalilepc@gmail.com.
38 All comments received were in support of a Borough wide address system. Other points of discussion
39 included Chena Goldstream’s address effort in the Fairbanks Northstar Borough, many existing roads
40 already have names, and a basic system will be helpful to responders. Other points included the
41 potential difficulty in getting residents to comply with posting numbers. The effort could be organized
42 by the primary users of the system (fire and EMS departments). Cost will be a factor that the Assembly
43 should consider prior to implementation. There was a question as to why residents are opposed to

1 addresses? It was identified that primary concerns relate to privacy and independence. There was much
2 discussion on action to take. Though a ballot measure is not required for the Borough to take action, it
3 may help build consensus.

- 4 a. Action: A motion passed to suggest the Denali Borough Assembly consider including an address
5 question on the November ballot. A sample question is "Shall the Borough pursue
6 implementation of an area-wide or non area-wide address system for the purposes of enhancing
7 fire and EMS response?" The LEPC will make the recommendation at the July Assembly Meeting

8 **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 9 a. Haz-Mat Table Top Exercise: Mr. Colin Blair is the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant
10 Manager for the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (Division), a grant funded
11 by the Department of Transportation. His responsibilities include bringing training and exercise
12 resources to local jurisdictions related to Hazardous materials preparedness. The grant can include
13 sending fire personnel to ICS and HazMat operations related trainings. Mr. Kelly Isham is the Local
14 Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) liaison, and Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)
15 manager for the Division. His responsibilities include coordinating with the States 21 LEPC's, and
16 administering the EMPG grant which funds, in part, emergency manger salaries across the state
17 (including the Denali Borough).
18 The Committee started the table Top Exercise. Please refer to the Participant Feedback Form and After
19 Action Review for take away points.
- 20 b. Fall Tactical Training: The committee identified the last weekend in September as a goal for the follow
21 up Tactical Emergency Casualty Care training. This training could be coordinated between the Borough
22 fire departments, the National Park, and could include Nenana Fire Department and the school district.
- 23 c. Borough Wide Mutual Aid Agreement: The revised borough wide mutual aid agreement was available
24 and agencies present considered and signed on behalf of their department. The agreement is current
25 through 2022.

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27 **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- 28 a. It would be helpful to include public comment time on the agenda. Though the LEPC meeting is informal,
29 it may prompt additional comments.

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31 **TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING:**

32 The next meeting will be held September 6th, 2017 at 6:30 PM in the Denali Borough office.

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34 **ADJOURNMENT:**

35 The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.