

**LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2005
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE, 2579 SOUTH LOOP 289, SUITE 100**

Attendees:

Tim Berry, Lubbock EMS	Ernest Branscum, Salvation Army
Mark Brown, TX Coop Extension	Jeff Creger-Slaton Police Department
Dan Dennison, City of Lubbock	Steve Donaldson, State Guard
Sandy Fortenbery, City Em. Mngt.	Brian Frieda, Idalou Police
Gerry Grant, LP&L	Michael Grossie, LECD
Lamar Hays, Aero Care	Tom Head, Lubbock County
Tim Hill, Red Cross	Cynthia Ann Meason, Covenant
Nick Olenik, Lubbock County	Jay Parchman, Texas Tech
Scott Piercy, Poole Chemical Company	Steve Presley-Texas Tech University-TIEHH
Joe Rietz, Frito Lay	Richard Sims, Texas State Guard
Clinton Thetford, RACES	Courtney Walch, City Em. Mngt.
Renee Witherspoon, City of Lubbock	J.D. Young, City of Shallowater
Mande Reeves, County Judge's Office	

Approval of Minutes

Steve Presley made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2005 meeting, a second was made by Renee Witherspoon.

Subcommittee Reports

Right to Know and Certification Committee- No report.

Public Education and Information Committee-Renee Witherspoon gave a PowerPoint presentation for her committee, which included the Mission Statement and Goals for her committee. Renee wants to work on a website of the LEPC, as well as a movie or PowerPoint presentation that can be given played on the Community Bulletin Board. She would also like to purchase the rights to "Wally Wise" for \$295.00. The committee wants to develop and distribute educational materials for school-aged children, provide citizen/neighborhood outreach, sponsor a poster contest at a local school and pursue grant monies that are available.

Training and Membership-This committee would like additional members.

Emergency Response and Resource Committee-No Report

Other Business

Clinton Thetford from RACES reported that the group has established itself as a foundation for fund raising purposes. They have purchased a trailer for a command post, they are purchasing new radio equipment and repairing a trailer. They are working with the Red Cross to place a tower that their facility, and will contact the Salvation Army and the local hospitals to do the same. The current membership is just over 65 members.

Sandy Fortenbery handed out upcoming training opportunities that are available through TEEX.

211 Texas information was also distributed.

National Weather Service

Justin Weaver Meteorologist-In-Charge at the National Weather Service, presented a PowerPoint presentation as well as brief tour of the facilities.