

**Pitt County  
Local Emergency Planning Committee  
Meeting Summary  
November 5th, 2023**

The Pitt County LEPC held its quarterly meeting on Monday, November 5th at 2:00 p.m. in the Pitt County Emergency Operations Center. The meeting was conducted by Randy Gentry, Director of Pitt County Emergency Management. The following committee members were present:

Randy Gentry	Michael Brown
Jim McArthur	Allison Swart
Jay Morris	Wes Gray
George Gay	Ryan Gregory
Sam Phillips	Tandy Dunn
Charles Tripp	Tyler Rhodes
Lauren Smith	Daniel Linton

**Director's Update-** Director Gentry gave a brief statement on the history of the Pitt County LEPC, and introduced Tyler Rhodes to start the meeting.

**PCEM Planner Update -** Tyler Rhodes gave a briefing on old business, updating the committee on HyperReach, the mass notification system the county recently purchased and implemented. Flyers will soon be available to distribute to the public and the information is posted regularly on county social media. HyperReach currently has just under 4,000 subscribers, compared to under 400 with the previous system.

Mr. Rhodes has recently taken a class on the newest hazardous materials reporting program in the state, CAMEO. He introduced Stefan Coutoulakis from North Carolina Emergency management who gave a slide presentation on HAZMAT reporting. The slides are attached to this meeting summary.

**Open Discussion-** Mr. Rhodes presented a proposal to use LEPC Grant moneys to provide lunch for meetings. It is hoped that providing lunch will increase participation in the LEPC. The motion was passed unanimously. Officer elections will be held at the February meeting. The positions open are Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Secretary. Topics for the next meeting were discussed. Options presented were: meeting at a local HAZMAT plant for a tour, providing ICS classes for local agencies,

**Closing**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:50 pm. The next LEPC meeting is scheduled for February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Smith