

Accepted: January 28, 2015

ADDISON COUNTY, LEPC DISTRICT 8
Emergency Planning Committee/Citizen Corp.
November 19, 2014 • 5:00–6:00 pm
VSP Barracks • New Haven, VT

I. Presentation—Joanne Bourbeau, VDART—The Vermont Animal Disaster Response Team is a volunteer group with a focus on the care of animals in disasters. Pets are the largest segment of their services, but livestock are not excluded. Currently, VDART has five “chapters:” Rutland, Windham, Chittenden counties, Upper Valley, and LEPC 5. At the State level VDART has an MOU with the Department of Agriculture, and the group is recognized by (and receives assistance from) FEMA. By law, emergency plans must include plans for animal care, and—the Red Cross has recently adopted an initiative requiring pet-friendly shelter facilities. VDART can help towns with animal preparedness plans, train for, and respond when disasters strike. Addison County does not currently have a DART group. If you are interested in forming one, or have questions about the program, or need outreach materials, contact VDART at (802) 368-2790, mail@vermontdart.org, www.VermontDART.org.

II. Citizen Corp Meeting

1. Called to order by Matt at 5:30pm

2. Current Business

- Erik—No report
- Sue H.—No report; nothing new on the MRC front although training is being planned.

3. Meeting adjourned—Tim MOVED, Erik SECONDED to adjourn at 5:35 pm

III. ACEPC meeting called to order by Matt at 5:35 pm

1. Minutes—Tom S MOVED, Erik SECONDED to approve the **October Minutes** as presented. *Motion passed.*

2. Treasurer’s Report—[Kate]

- Tom S MOVED, Erik SECONDED, to accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented. We remain solvent. *Motion passed.*
- **Current bills**—Tim presented receipts for today's meeting refreshments. Sue H. MOVED, Bob SECONDED, to pay current bills as presented. *Motion passed*

3. HMEP —[Tim]. A local table-top exercise is being planned. Local police, fire, hospital, ambulance personnel will be involved. A planning group is being formed to meet in Middlebury. Matt and Sue H indicated their intentions to join, 3 others are sought. Check with Tim if this is something you wish to be part of.

4. DEMHS—[Josh Cox] The November LEPC Report has not been distributed yet, so no information on that front. Josh reported that there are 4 HSEEP trainings being planned for 2015; one could be in Addison County if there is sufficient interest. Kate asked if there could be a Controller class scheduled as well. The new DLAN software will require retraining, there currently four 4-hour sessions being scheduled.

5. Other Business—

- Tom S handed out a packet of materials developed by Adjusters International. The packet contained a number of letter-sized pamphlets which provided information of use in planning disaster recovery efforts—floods, mitigation, loss measurement, rebuilding plan & its funding, debris management, etc—all with a focus on navigating through/interacting with FEMA

and its Public Assistance program.

- VGS— Neither VGS representative was able to attend, but Dave Attig sent a short report indicating that a very successful training had been held with the Middlebury Fire Dept. Other trainings will be held for local area first responders as the gas line progresses.
- The next ACEPC meeting will be moved up to December 17 because of the holiday. Should the Executive Committee determine that there is not sufficient business to warrant meeting in December, a notice will be sent out immediately after that determination is made (December 10).

6. Upcoming Events—for more info contact Tim

- Exec Board—December 10, ACRPC
- Next LEPC Meeting—*Tentatively* set for December 17, VSP Barracks, New Haven, 5:00. *Notice will be sent out after Exec Meeting canceling if there is too little business.*

Remember: check <http://vem.vermont.gov/events> for training opportunities.

Motion to adjourn made by Tom S., SECONDED by Erik, at 6:00. **Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Conway
ACEPC Secretary

ACEPC Attendees:

Sue Hommel, VDH	Henry Mapes, Agrimark/Cabot
Kevin Gibbs, Bristol PD, Chief FD	Matt Fraley, ACEPS Chair, Panton EMD, Vergennes
Tim Bouton, ACRPC	Jess Danyow, Addison Humane
Mike Manley, VSP New Haven	Erik Eriksen, ACEPC Vice-chair, Ripton FD, EMD
Kate Giegies, ACEPC Treasurer, Cornwall EMD	Bob Arnebold, Orwell EMD, FD
SueAnn Arnebold, Orwell Town Clerk	Tom Scanlon, Salisbury EMD
Don Patch, VSP	Joanne Bourbeau, VDART, HSUS
Josh Cox, DEMHS	Robin Conway, ACEPC Sec., Shoreham EMD,
Beth Diamond, 211 Coord.	VT ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Service