

Town of Milton – Local Emergency Planning Committee – Date :12/20/2018

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MEMA Attendance Record was completed. four critical disciplines were in attendance. The LEPC was pleased to welcome Paul King , Dir. of Public Safety at Curry College and John Hannon, Facilities. Dir., BID-M,

Milton HD reports that over 1,000 FLU Vaccine shots were administered. and clinics were held at elder centers as well as at an advertised general public clinic FLU shots are still available at MPH Office.

Used needles are not accepted at local pharmacies. DPH has taken some back when brought to their office. There can be a disposal charge for large quantities of deposited syringes. A process for MFD/MPD to take syringes received at their stations to MPH was explained. Acupuncture needles are not accepted.

RESERVE CORPS: MPH reported that, so far, the numbers interested in the Medical Reserve Corps are low.. There is an increase in volunteers expected in the Spring.

MPD conducted a “**Drug Take Back Day**” on October 27, 2018. Over 330 lbs of returned prescription drugs were taken by MPD to a disposal site where the meds were incinerated. The MPD drug drop off box is emptied every two weeks and the meds are taken for incineration.

DPW has instituted on line record keeping to expedite FEMA billing in large storms. DPW has access to the GET System (Government Emergency Telephone Contact). It is a Homeland Security program. MEMA Grant money will provide for an OSHA Haz-Mat training session for DPW and MPD/MFD members if interested.

BID-M recently conducted a drill focusing on the surgical unit of the campus. There was also an exercise involving physicians at the hospital. The drill was extremely successful resulting in a greater awareness of the hospital facility. . Community agencies are an integral part of these exercises but participation was limited by space in the surgical unit.

A larger drill is planned for the Spring which will involve fuller community participation..

BID-M expects to be visited this year by **Joint Commission** which accredits US health care organizations and programs. . A majority of US state governments recognize Joint Commission accreditation as a condition of licensure for the receipt of Medicaid and Medicare reimbursements. This three day exam is conducted every three years and evaluates the hospital from top to bottom. Details of community participation will be sent to LEPC Chair to be disseminated to appropriate groups.

ISD reported on issues with accessing the abandoned former Tileston-Hollingsworth Mill building on the Neponset River which is accessible off Truman Highway. Now the river must be crossed via the mill dam since a bridge to the site has been removed. This information was particularly important to MFD/MPD since several fires have occurred on the site in recent months. Rescue personnel must use the tunnel under the commuter rail tracks as well to access this “locked in” building.. Attempts by the owners to work out a possible land transfer with the State DCR has not been successful. Avoiding court action in this case is hoped for.

Small generators have been purchased for the Health Department and Animal Shelter with MEMA Grant funds. The stocking of the DPW Emergency Trailer has been completed with the purchase of emergency signs etc.

Requests for agencies interested in sponsoring Eagle Scout merit badge projects was explained. Space at the Milton American Legion Post was offered to community agencies for activities.

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