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## Town of Seymour Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) November 25, 2025 - 1030 hours Seymour Community Center 20 Pine Street Willis Room

Present: James Baldwin, John Bucherati, Tim Connors, Diana Davis, Annmarie Drugonis, Christopher Edwards, Frank Gabianelli, Jess Kristy, Kurt Miller, Timothy Willis

Not Present: Scott Andrews, Michael Fappiano, Bryan Ryan, Andrew Tisdale

The meeting was called to order at 1042 hours by Edwards followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A brief introduction and thank you for attendance was had by Edwards.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Correspondence: The was no correspondence.

Old Business: Chris Edwards stated that the walk-thru at RAF has not happened.

**New Business:** 

Newport Healthcare is up and running. There are 58 residents, including co-ed. There is a limit of 8 males for now with a potential of 15 in the cottage. The main building is still empty.

The schools EAPs are completed, submitted, and accepted.

- Sochrin's Pond has been submitted and is on file.
- Swan Lake in Oxford is on file since any issues would mimic the flood of 2024.
- Silver Lake DEEP, EPA reports dam in failure. Fanotto is taking care of it. Annmarie wants to follow up.
- Hoadley's Pond Need Aquarion to be involved the pond needs to be dredged. It was last done in 1995. This will lower the water level some but contamination is the main issue. We would like a grant to help with remedy and removal. It might be better to leave it as-is give or take large items. Otherwise it will contaminate surrounding eco system and cause more of an issue. However, there is the risk of another flood if we do nothing. There is a possibility to have Oxford share since parts of it are in Oxford. We will revisit in December at a different meeting.

The Shelter Plan needs to be updated, both regular and backup plans. Also we need to join with Derby and Ansonia for a regional plan in the Ansonia High School. The plan on file is 10 years old so this needs to be revisited.

We need EAPs for Houses of Worship in town. Chris will be meeting with officials of churches. A large group meeting in the evening was suggested. Chris will set that up. Also suggested for FEMA to help.

The town threat hazard risk assessment is also being worked on.

The gas leak at Shady Knoll went well. Everyone was sheltered in place. Chatfield was told to be backup. Ambulances and buses were at the ready. Shady Knoll activated their emergency plan. Notification protocols could have been better. Not everyone was notified in a timely manner, however people were not in offices. Ambulances from adjoining towns are reluctant to help due to issues with non-payment from other towns.

In mid-2026 we will do a town-wide active shooter drill. The last one was done in 2016. The plan would be a weekend at a school or empty warehouse. It will take a while to get it arranged. We also need to add reunification center to plan for transport, etc.

There was confusion as to the CERT team training and chain of command.

Jim Baldwin brought up residential relocation. Should we have protocol with regard to cost, hotels etc. Perhaps a town credit card. We do not have a relocation officer in town. There needs to be factors for transportation for children to school, pets. This is not just for fire but lack of heat or other issues.

No additional business was brought up.

There was a motion to adjourn by Annmarie at 1129, seconded by Timm Willis.

Respectfully Submitted Diana Davis