

LEPC Minutes for January 27, 2026

LEPC Mission: Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC's) work together with all emergency response agencies to understand chemical hazards in the community, develop emergency plans in case of an accidental release, and look for ways to prevent chemical accidents.

Meeting called to order: At 12:07 PM at the Newcastle Country Club

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

- Motion: Gilbert Nelson
 - Second: Chris Kenney
- Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes for December 31, 2025.

- Additions/Corrections:
 - Motion: Scott Beachler
- Second: Gilbert Nelson Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Weston County Severe Winter Weather Annex
 - 1) Sent out to members for review, will need to review Damage Assessment (Wind, Tornados)

2. What trainings are we wanting to complete for 2026
 - 1) The group discussed some training topics the next few years. These could include some of the following:
 - i. Pod Training
 - ii. Table top for Public Health
 - iii. Haz-Mat Response Exercise
 - iv. Airport Emergencies
 - v. Mass Casualty Event
 - vi. Railroad Engine Event

3. LEPC Elections
 - 1) Elections for LEPC positions were discussed that would include LEPC Chaiman, and Secretary. Later in the meeting the LEPC Co-Chair was added.
 - i. Gilbert Nelson Motioned to elect Don Steveson as the LEPC Chaiman, this was seconded by Scott Beachler, with no other discussions or nominations this motion was approved.
 - ii. Gilbert Nelson Motioned to elect Tami Dowding as the LEPC secretary, this was seconded by Scott Beachler, with no other discussions or nominations this motion was approved.
 - iii. Angie Phillips Motioned to elect Mandy McDade for LEPC Vice-Chair, this was seconded by Gilbert Nelson, with no other discussions or nominations this motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Back up Dispatch location.
 - a. Nothing to report.

2. Generator for Dispatch.
 - a. Electrical is done, waiting on Black Hills Energy to install the replacement gas orifice.

3. Update from Kristi on Lost Team
 - a. Nothing to Report

4. County Commissioner – Attendance
 - a. The attendance at the LEPC meetings were mentioned during the Commissioner meeting and had no response.

5. Grant Update.
 - a. Waiting on funding process for the awards.

TRAINING:

1. Training options sent throughout the month.
 - a. ICS 300 will be held in Casper May 12 to 14th and ICS 400 will be August 11 to 12th.
 - b. Crisis Management for School-Based Incidents in Casper June 8th.
 - c. L-203 in Sheridan April 21st to 23rd.
 - d. We want to look at Shelter class on how to open a shelter before the Red Cross arrives

Next LEPC Meeting Scheduled for February 25th , 2026.

ADJOURNMENT: 12:45 P.M.

Motion: Chris Kenney

Second: Meritt Pederson

Motion Carried

Name	Agency	Email
Don Steveson	LEPC Chairman	dsteveson@parpacific.com
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Scott Beachler	Weston County Search and Rescue/ Weston County Corners Office	sbnwy@outlook.com
Angela Phillips	Weston County Public Health	angelaphillips@wyo.gov
Mandy McDade	Weston County Public Health	amanda.mcdade@wyo.gov
Dan Fields	Weston County Sheriff Office	dfields@westongov.com
Chris Kenney	WRC	ckenney@parpacific.com



Weston County LEPC Activity Sign in Sheet

Date: 1-27-2024

Event: LEPC Meeting

Name (Print)	Name (Signature)	Organization	Email
1. <u>Don Stuess</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>LEPC Chairman</u>	<u>dstuess@westonco.com</u>
2. <u>Marilyn Pederson</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>NUFD</u>	<u>mfpedast@tcomnet.com</u>
3. <u>Cilbert Nelson</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>WCEM</u>	<u>gheban@weston.gov.com</u>
4. <u>Scott E. Beachler</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>WCCO/WASSR</u>	<u>sbeach@outlook.com</u>
5. <u>Orpeta Phillips</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>WCPA</u>	<u>orpeta@phillips-cv.org</u>
6. <u>Mandy Mcclade</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>WCPIT</u>	<u>amanda.mclade@wyo.gov</u>
7. <u>Don Fields</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>COESA</u>	<u>dfields@weston.gov.com</u>
8. <u>Chris Benner</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>NUFD</u>	<u>cbenner@pwpacific.com</u>
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