

HOMELAND SECURITY & LOCAL EMERGENCY PLAN

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MEMBERS

Nic Wilson, Scott Damon, Troy Bevier, Craig Tanis, John Veres, Corinne Perdue, Terry Collins, Monica Hunt, Jessica Nelson, Ben Ricker, Tony Garcia, Jennifer Ambrose, Jeff Paterson
301 N. Main St, Adrian, MI 49221

MEETING LOCATION

Chambers

Minutes: Tuesday, April 21, 2026

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 10:00.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: C. Tanis, J. Veres, T. Collins, C. Perdue, B. Ricker, S. Damon, M. Hunt, J. Nelson, N. Wilson,
Members Absent: T. Bevier, J. Paterson, J. Ambrose, T. Garcia
Guests: C. Foerg, C. Hudson, J. Williams, R. King, J. Pifer

III. Approve Current Agenda

C. Tanis made an addition to the agenda under new business to approve Jamie Williams from Anderson Development as the chemical rep. alternate to T. Garcia. A motion to approve the agenda as amended was made by T. Collins and supported by S. Damon. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes: December 16, 2025 Meeting
T. Collins made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2025, meeting. C. Perdue supported the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Reports - HS/LEPC

A. Finance Report - HS/LEPC

C. Tanis reviewed the FY23 and FY24 Homeland Security Grant Program financials. A motion to accept the financial statements was made by C. Perdue and supported by J. Veres. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Emergency Management Report

C. Tanis submitted his reports to the committee prior to the meeting and will talk about some the items under old business and new business.

C. E911 Director's Report - HS/LEPC

C. Perdue submitted her report to the committee prior to the meeting and also gave the following highlights: Brian Wilcox was hired as a Systems Administrator on February 2nd. The CAD-to-CAD project with Hillsdale County went live on February 12th. On April 15th, the Tyler System was upgraded to version 25.2, and dispatch staffing is currently at 19 with 1 spot open.

D. Drone Subcommittee Report - HS/LEPC

C. Foerg updated the committee on the drone team. Year-to-date, there have been 8 callouts for the drone team, including providing overwatch for the Warner trial and the Warner jury field trip to the Warner properties, and damage assessment in Woodstock Twp. after the April 14th storms. The drone will also fly at the Siena Heights Farewell Concert and Siena Heights graduation.

VI. Existing Business

A. Norfolk Southern Prop Train

C. Tanis updated the committee that the Norfolk Southern Prop Train for County Hazmat and Tech Rescue drills has been confirmed for August 17th through August 20th, and will be staged at the Dinner Train Station in Blissfield next door to the Blissfield Fire Dept.

B. August LEPC Meeting on 8/18 @ Blissfield FD

C. Tanis notified the committee that the LEPC meeting scheduled for August 18th will take place at the Blissfield Fire Department with a walk-around of the Norfolk Southern Prop Train.

VII. New Business

A. Fire Service Rep Alternate

Chief A.J. Armstrong of the City of Adrian Fire Dept. was asked to serve as the Fire Service Rep. Alternate. A motion by J. Veres to approve the appointment was made and supported by T. Collins. No discussion took place, and the motion was approved unanimously.

B. Approval for Jamie Williams to be the Chemical Rep. Alternate

Jamie Williams from The Anderson Development Company was asked to serve as the Chemical Representative Alternate. T. Collins made a motion to approve Mr. Williams as the Chemical Representative Alternate, with support from B. Ricker. No discussion took place, and the motion passed unanimously.

C. Drone Tether Purchase

C. Tanis reported to the committee that he was able to purchase a drone tether for the M30T drones with excess Region One funding. The tether provides constant power to the drone so it can fly continuously without having to land and switch batteries.

D. Tier II Reports

C. Tanis reported to the committee that he has received all the SARA Tier II reports from the appropriate county businesses, and C. Foerg has begun updating all of the County's current SARA Title III Site Plans, as well as working on additional Site Plans.

E. Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning (HMEP) Grant

C. Tanis reported that the Office of Emergency Management will apply for the Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning grant again this year.

F. NWS Weather Spotter Training - <https://form.jotform.com/260953783939172>

C. Tanis reported that the National Weather Service will conduct weather spotter training for first responders and others who wish to attend on May 7th at 6:00 p.m. at Knight Auditorium in Valade Hall at Adrian College. Pre-registration is required and can be completed at <https://form.jotform.com/260953783939172>

G. Michigan Drone Association Conference

C. Tanis reported that drone team pilots Pete Ossmann and Todd Kinsey attended the annual MI Drone Conference in Mt. Pleasant.

VIII. Public Comment

Mr. Richard King reported to the committee about the exercise conducted by the Civil Air Patrol at the County Airport.

IX. Adjournment

The next meeting is on June 16th, 2026, at 10:00 AM, in the Commissioner's Chambers at the Old Courthouse, 301 N. Main St., Adrian.

A motion to adjourn was made by T. Collins and supported by S. Damon. The meeting adjourned at 10:17