

HOMELAND SECURITY & LOCAL EMERGENCY PLAN

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MEMBERS

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

MEETING LOCATION

Chambers

Minutes: Tuesday, June 16, 2026

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 10:00 by Vice-chair Bevier.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Craig Tanis, John Veres, Sheriff Bevier, Commissioner Collins, Lt. Hudson (Alt.), Ben Ricker, Chief Armstrong (Alt.), Jessica Nelson, Chief Paterson, Jen Ambrose, Jamie Williams (Alt.)

Members Absent: Monica Hunt and Chief Wilson

Guests: Chris Foerg, Micah Hassenzahl, Deputy Administrator Elliott, and Lisa Hewitt-Cruz

III. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes: April 21st, 2026 Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on April 21st, 2026, was made by Comm. Collins and supported by Chief Paterson. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Reports - HS/LEPC

A. Finance Report - HS/LEPC

The financial statement was reviewed by C. Tanis. Chief Paterson made a motion to accept the financial statement. The motion was supported by Chief Armstrong. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Emergency Management Report

C. Tanis reviewed the report and also reported on a recent oil well leak in Adrian Township that occurred on Friday, June 12th, in the afternoon. There was no imminent threat to public safety, and EGLE and an environmental contractor responded to immediately begin the cleanup and remediation.

C. E911 Director's Report - HS/LEPC

New Dispatch Director, Lt. Hudson, discussed his written report, which included the completion of the CAD upgrade. Dispatch is also in the process of upgrading the templates for the dispatch radios.

D. Drone Subcommittee Report - HS/LEPC

Chris Foerg reported that the drone team has had 23 callouts to date, including 7 so far in June. The drone was flown at MIS for the NASCAR race. Chris Foerg also flew the drone for NASCAR to capture footage of damage to the wall in turn 3 caused by a crash during the race. A Sheriff's Office Deputy will take a couple of the drones to Hudson Schools for a demonstration for a high school summer drone class.

V. Existing Business

A. Norfolk Southern Prop Train Hazmat & Tech Rescue Drills - August 17th - August 20th

C. Tanis reminded the committee of the upcoming training. He will send an invite to the committee to sign up if they are interested in observing.

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

C. Tanis reminded the committee that the August meeting will take place at the Blissfield Fire Dept.

VI. New Business

A. Lt. Chris Hudson - Approval as the new Public Safety Communications Rep.

J. Veres made a motion to recommend approval for Lt. Hudson as the Public Safety Communication Representative to be sent to the Board of Commissioners Rules and Appointments Committee. The motion was supported by Chief Paterson. The motion passed unanimously.

B. FY25 HSGP Funding Update

C. Tanis updated the committee on the status of the FY25 HSGP funding. Funding has been released by the State and will be allocated to the local jurisdictions at this week's Regional Homeland Security Planning Board meeting. The funding should be about the same or more than the FY24 funding, depending on the decision of the board .

C. Critical Incident Mapping Grant

C. Tanis updated the committee on a State Critical Incident Mapping Grant. Emergency Management was approved for a project to map the Adrian College campus. If he can get the grant again next year, phase two would be to map the hospital and county government buildings.

VII. Public Comment

None.

VIII. Adjournment

The next meeting is on August 18th, 2026, at 10:00 AM, at the Blissfield Fire Dept., 299 E. Adrian St., Blissfield, MI 49228

On a motion by Comm. Collins and support from Chief Paterson, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15.