Attendees:

Town of Northborough

Kristin Black, Board of Health Agent Michael Borowiec, Hazardous Materials Assistant Scott Charpentier, DPW Director John Coderre, Town Administrator Fred Litchfield, Town Engineer William Lyver, Police Chief David Parenti, Fire Chief

Town of Northborough Board of Selectmen Leslie Rutan

Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA)

Kevin Filchak, Regional Coordinator

NOTE: This meeting can be found on YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4C-hd_sjW2Y .

Meeting called to order at 10:03 AM by Chief David L. Parenti. Opening remarks included overview of viewing and participation options for the web-based meeting.

Old Business

• A motion to approve the meeting minutes from the July 23, 2020 LEPC meeting was made by Chief Lyver and seconded by Select Board member Leslie Rutan. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

New Business

• Goals and Objectives: The goals and objectives were provided at the start of the meeting.

Goals and Objectives



• LEPC Recertification:

- O The State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) reviewed and approved the Northborough LEPC application for recertification on November 10, 2020. Chief Parenti elaborated on praise received by the SERC in regard to the level of commitment and participation of the committee. Northborough's innovative Tier II filing fee schedule also received positive feedback.
- The updated emergency planning documents have adopted the format recommended by MEMA and the SERC. In future LEPC meetings, sections contained within the plan will be reviewed collectively.



- o LEPC/REPCs will remain in good standing with the SERC and retain eligibility for grants as well as for other opportunities for funding and training through 2025.
 - Certification has already yielded benefits as the Town of Northborough will be receiving additional Hazardous Material Emergency Planning (HMEP) funding that will provide multi-gas metering equipment for training, planning, and response. This opportunity has provided more than \$7,000 to the Town for planning and response purposes.



• TIER II Reporting:

- o Tier II reports for Reporting Year 2020 are due by March 1, 2021. Submissions should include:
 - Electronic (PDF and T2S formats, as well as physical copy formats.
 - SDS sheets

Site plans

TIER II Reporting



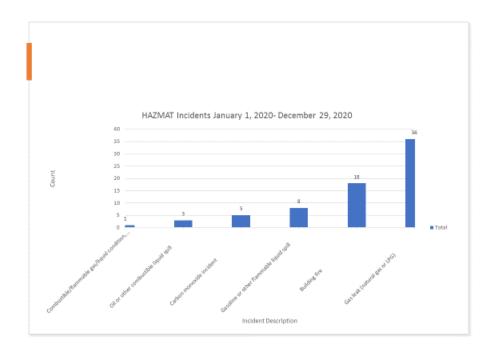
- Physical Tier II reports can be submitted to:
 Northborough Fire Department
 11 Pierce Street
 Northborough, MA 01532
- Electronically Submitted: <u>MBorowiec@Town.Northborough.MA.US</u>

• Incident Responses:

- o Incident Highlight: 101 Colburn Street, Northborough
 - On December 11, 2020, a building fire at 101 Colburn Street resulted in the release of hazardous materials. The occupancy was noted to have a high volume of automotive repair supplies and waste fluids. As a result, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) was notified of the release and efforts to limit lasting environmental impact are ongoing.



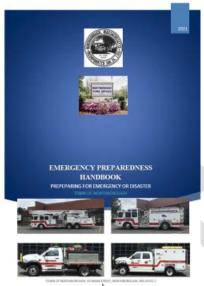
Exposures, Oil/HAZMAT Release



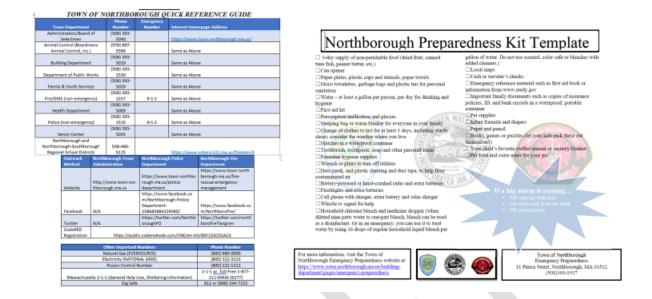
- o The graph above illustrates HAZMAT incidents January 1- December 29, 2020.
- Training/Exercise
 - Shelter Training: Due to restriction set in place as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, in-person training will be delayed to a later period in time to reduce unnecessary exposures. A shelter training with emphasis on regionalized services will be conducted in the future in collaboration with MEMA and the American Red Cross. More information will be released at a later date regarding this training.

Other Business Not Anticipated

- Northborough Emergency Preparedness Handbook
 - Originally released around 2009, the Town of Northborough is in the process
 of updated the document and improve usability and important information.
 New to this document are Northborough specific inserts that residents can
 use to list updated emergency contacts and other pertinent information.
 - The finalized document will be made available via a number of ways, both in physical and electronic formats.







Next meeting is expected to take place in July 2021 and will be announce once a date is selected. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Borowiec Hazardous Materials Assistant