# BALDWIN COUNTY LEPC STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES BCEMA EOC – ROBERTSDALE/VIRTUAL SEPTEMBER 10, 2025



Chief Joey Darby (Foley Fire) called the meeting to order at 10:03 am and welcomed everyone. The August 13, 2025, Steering Committee minutes were up for approval. Tom Tyler (BCEMA) gave a motion to accept the minutes. Lana Mummah (UWBC / VOAD) seconded the motion, and all present approved the minutes.

Michelle reminded the group of the Full Body meeting on September 15 in Foley.

### **Attendees:**

Miriam Boone, City of Foley (In-person)
Joey Darby, Foley Fire (In-person)
Natascha Dilley, BCEMA (In-person)
Christopher McCain, Summerdale VFD (In-person)
Lana Mummah, United Way of Baldwin County / VOAD (In-person)
Anna Odom, ADPH (Virtual)
Michelle Pennington, BCEMA (In-person)
Robert Quates, BCEMA (In-person)
Amanda Thweatt, BCEMA (In-person)
Tom Tyler, BCEMA (In-person)
Jessica Wade, ADPH (Virtual)

#### **Intracoastal Waterway (IWW) Exercise Update:**

Tom Tyler (BCEMA) and Chief Darby (Foley Fire) reported:

- (1) Tom will reach out and make a touch point.
- (2) There are some details such as site and material to shore up.
- (3) Chief Darby would like to keep the Baldwin County Commission up to date. There are plans in the works for that

#### **Committee Updates:**

Christopher McCain (Summerdale VFD) reported:

- (1) The department has the Mobile Fire Suppression Trailer all week.
- (2) There will be an EV Incident Management Training at 6:00 pm on November 18 at Summerdale Town Hall. David Bullard will be the instructor.
- (3) The EMS Challenge is going on today.
- (4) Christopher thanked BCEMA for the fire extinguisher prop for training.

Tom Tyler (BCEMA) reported that National Weather Service Mobile is funded and that they are in the process of onboarding two new forecasters. Chief Darby (Foley Fire) commented that even though NWS Mobile is funded, there are still numerous grants on hold.

Amanda Thweatt (BCEMA) reported that BCEMA will be hosting ICS-300: Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents and ICS-400: Advanced Incident Command System for Complex Incidents after Mardi Gras, February 23-27, 2026.

Lana Mummah (UWBC / VOAD) reported that the United Way had its kickoff luncheon last week.

Miriam Boone (City of Foley) reported:

- (1) There will be Orion training in Foley.
- (2) There is a PLAN meeting tomorrow featuring a presentation by People Against a Littered State (PALS). In October, the PLAN meeting will be a tour of the Eco Center. Currently PLAN has over 100 members.
- (3) New zoning regulations have been discussed.

Anna Odom (ADPH) reported that travel restrictions are currently in place for the Cardiac Electrophysiology Team (EP Team) and Healthcare Coalition.

Chief Darby (Foley Fire) reported:

- (1) Changes in leadership are happening.
  - a. Miriam Boone is retiring at the end of October. Jonathan Cotis will be the new Building Official.
  - b. David Wilson retired. The new Director of Public Safety is Thurston Bullock. He has taken office.
  - c. The new Police Chief is Kevin Carnley.
  - d. The new Deputy Chief is Larry Dearing.
- (2) With respect to Lithium-ion battery and EV response, a new foam product has been released to the market. It has been tested in Tuscaloosa, but its cost is unknown. Central Alabama Training Solutions (CATS) is a representative for the company. Maybe they could be a possible Full Body speaker?

## <u>December Full Body / Christmas Luncheon Meat Money Allotment Discussion:</u>

Chief Darby (Foley Fire) reviewed how recommendations for meat money allotment suggestions were collected – by survey with past data provided. Not including a couple of outliers, the general range suggested was \$400-\$450. Discussion occurred. Lana Mummah (UWBC / VOAD) made a motion to spend up to \$400. Tom Tyler (BCEMA) seconded the motion. All present approved. The motion to spend up to \$400 on meat for the December Full Body Meeting / Christmas Luncheon will be presented to the Full Body on Monday for discussion and a vote.

The meeting adjourned at 10:42 am.

Resources of Interest

https://erplan.net/eplan/login.htm (e-plan)

https://baldwincountyal.gov/departments/emergency-management-agency/ema-training/get-involved/local-emergency-planning-committee-(lepc) (detailed information about LEPC – Community Right to Know, etc)

https://www.epa.gov/epcra/national-lepc-tepc-handbook (LEPC Handbook)

https://www.chargepoint.com/ (includes information on where to find EV charging stations)

https://www.plugshare.com/ (a map of EV charging stations)

<u>https://www.dhses.ny.gov/charge-safe</u> (New York state's Charge Safe Campaign)

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

LEPC Full Body Meeting / September 15, 2025 / 10:30 am / Foley Civic Center

LEPC Steering Committee Meeting / October 8, 2025 / 10:00 am / Hybrid

