

# **SABINE-NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION**

**~ P.O. Box 2257 Nederland, Texas 77627 ~**

**Phone: (409) 960-5761, Fax: (409) 960-5766**

**Email:** **snca@ih2000.net** **Web:** [**www.snchief.com**](http://www.snchief.com)

**24-Hour Activation Phone: 409-838-6371**

 *Organized Feb. 9, 1949*

**2011 Board of Directors**

**John Owens**

**President 11-12**

**Terry Basham**

**Vice-President 11-12**

**Dale Jackson**

**Secretary/Treasurer 11-12**

**Vernon Pierce**

**Sergeant-at-Arms 11-12**

**Larry Richard**

**Fire Director 10-11**

**Ann Huff**

**Fire Director 11-12**

**Tommy Wells**

**Industry Director 10-11**

**Elgin Browning**

**Industry Director 11-12**

**Aleta Cappen**

**Police Director 10-11**

**Tim Ocnaschek**

**Police Director 11-12**

**Theresa Wigley**

**At-Large Director 11-12**

**Stephanie Garsea**

**EMS Director 11-12**

**Cindy Powers**

**Health Director 11-12**

3rd Quarter Board of Directors Meeting

M I N U T E S

**July 28, 2011, 11:00 am**

**Quorum is (7) Voting Directors**

On Thursday, July 28, 2011 at 11:15 am, John Owens,

President of the Sabine Neches Chief’s Association called to order the 2nd Quarter Board of Directors Meeting held at the Schooner.

The following SNCA Officers were excused: Anne Huff, Tim Ocnaschek, & Stephanie Garsea.

**Open Meeting:** Noting that a Quorum was present, President Owens opened the meeting.

**Old Business:**

President Owens had Chief Steve Curran give an update on the work being done on the SNCA website by Juxtapose. Chief Curran advised Board members that much progress had been made on the web site from the last board meeting. Chief Curran gave a brief report on what is being planned for the future on the site, and chief Curran asked for anyone with pictures could forward them to him to be posted on the site, (pictures of past Bosses Nights etc…)

Chief Curran also gave a brief report on the status of the Fire Boat project. Steve informed the BOD that there has been no luck in securing financial help on this project at this time, however felt the project should still be pursued at a later date.

Chief Curran provided the BOD a draft of changes suggested for the Strategic Plan, and asked for the boards input. A motion was made by Terry Basham, and seconded by Dale Jackson to accept the changes as proposed. The motion carried. Chief Curran asked the Secretary Treasurer to e-mail out the draft to the membership for discussion at the next meeting in August.

**Correspondence:**

The BOD received a letter of request for membership from the Medical Center of Southeast Texas. Sec/Tres. Dale Jackson noted all requirements were met, and a motion was made by Vernon Pierce, and seconded by Terry Basham to accept the application and bring before the membership. The motion carried

# **Financial Report :** Secretary/Treasurer gave the following report;

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Checks issued since last Board meeting:** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 04/21/2011 | Schooner | Board Meeting |  |  $ 299.53  |
| 06/06/2011 | Brickmann Group | SNCA Database |  |  $ 2,598.00  |
| 06/09/2011 | Apex Lamps (check card) | Projector Lamp |  |  $ 114.35  |
| 06/16/2011 | L.I.T. | Golf Tournament Proceeds |  |  $ 5,224.63  |
| 07/05/2011 | Juxtapose Inc. | Web design & hosting |  |  $ 54.13  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | **Account Balances** |  |  |
|  |  | Checking Balance |  |  $20,453.46  |
|  |  | CD Balance |  |  $ 4,967.86  |
|  |  | CD #2 Balance |  |  $ 5,000.00  |
|  |  | Total Balance |  |  $30,421.32  |

The President called for a motion to approve the Treasurers Report; Tommy Wells made the motion to approve the Financials and Terry Basham seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**New Business:**

President Owens discussed moving forward with posting the Inventory List on the web site for members to access and update. Major Owens mentioned that the BOD had previously voted to allow Clem and Pat the opportunity to do this work for a cost of $1,000. President Owens asked Pat Grimes to the BOD meeting to see if Pat and Clem were still interested in doing this project. Pat Grimes attended the BOD meeting and told members that he and Clem would do the project at the prior agreed cost. Pat also explained to members that the inventory data base would probably be created on a separate data base, and there would be a link on the SNCA website to go to the inventory database. Pat stated he and Clem would work with Chief Curran on getting this project going. A motion was made by Terry Basham, and seconded by Vernon Pierce to allow Pat and Clem to begin work on the Inventory Database for the amount of $1,000. The motion carried.

President Owens brought out the recent tragic deaths of Public Servants in the area, and wanted make a request for the SNCA to make a donation in the name of the deceased Public Servants to accounts or organizations expressed by their families. Members of the board agreed that a monetary donation was in order, and discussed the need to have a committee look at establishing protocols for making financial donations in the name of fallen Public Servants. Elgin Browning agreed to chair the Bereavement Committee, and Dale Jackson offered to assist with drafting protocols, and bringing them to the BOD. After much discussion, members of the BOD wanted to make a financial donation in the name of Port Arthur Firefighter Steven McShan and Beaumont Police Officer Bryan Hebert, to the designated accounts or organizations established by the families of the deceased Public Servants. A motion was made by Aleta Cappen, and seconded by Tommy Wells for the SNCA to donate $1,000 to each of the deceased Public Servants, with the donation in the name of Firefighter McShan going to an account set up by the family at 5-Star Credit Union (Acc# 8508342), and the donation in the name of Beaumont Police Officer Bryan Hebert would be made to the Police Memorial Fund, 255 College Street in Beaumont, TX. The motion carried, and Board member Larry Richard Abstained.

Secretary/ Treasurer Dale Jackson brought up the status of the projector purchased by the SNCA several years ago. An attempt to fix the projector was unsuccessful and his recommendation was not to spend any more money on the current projector. The projector had been broken for over three years, and it was decided that we could make it without purchasing a new one. A motion was made by Cindy Powers, and seconded by Terry Basham to not purchase a new projector. Motion Carried.

President Owens brought a question raised by the City of Pinehurst on the SNCA dues structure. Police Chief Fred Hanauer had sent President Owens with concerns that a separate dues payment was required from the Police and Fire Department. His concerns were that the City of Pinehurst was a small community with a population of 2,100, and felt the dues payments for both departments was a burden for smaller entities. President Owens brought out to members that it is up to the discretion of each entity if they want to pay for multiple departments or not. The Constitution and By-Laws does not require entities to make dues payments for each department, however it does not restrict entities to have multiple departments who pay dues. The C&BL only states that DUES paying members can vote, which would mean a small entity which only pays dues for one department can only have one vote. BOD members agreed with the interpretation, and no action was taken on this item.

The SNCA received a letter from the Fire Museum of Texas advising of a plan to update and present a 10 year Memorial Tribute to 9/11, which includes the acquisition of a World Trade Center artifact from the site, and to have it displayed at the Fire Museum. The Port Authority of New York approved the project, and the Fire Museum was asking for help paying for the shipment of the piece of steel, and for additional supplies to present the piece properly. The approximate cost for this project would be $1,000. President Owens asked the BOD if the SNCA would like to sponsor this project. Aleta Cappen made a motion and seconded by Terry Basham, for the SNCA to pay the $1,000 needed for the project. The motion carried.

**SNCA Board of Directors Meeting Schedule 2011:**

**Thursday, January 27**

**Thursday, April 28**

**Thursday, July 28**

**Thursday, October 27**

**Call for motion to adjourn:**

Motion made by Aleta Cappen and seconded by Terry Basham to adjourn. Motion carried.

**Meeting Adjourned**: 12:34 pm

###### Dale Jackson

Secretary/Treasurer