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Health Director 11-12

NOVEMBER MINUTES

Quorum is (10) Voting Members at Regular Meeting

The 758th Sabine Neches Chiefs Association meeting was called to order at 10:17 a.m. on Wednesday November 7, 2012, at Courvilles in Beaumont.

Vernon Pierce gave the invocation.

Dale Jackson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The host for the November meeting was Entergy, and the group was welcomed by Vernon Pierce. Vernon also introduced Sally Rainer, his new boss.

The following SNCA Officers were excused: Terry Basham, Stephanie Garsea, Theresa Wigley, and Cindy Powers.

READING OF THE MINUTES

President Owens asked for "Approval" of the previous month's minutes as e-mailed. A motion was made by Ann Huff and seconded by Tommy Wells to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDANCE:

A request for membership was received by Bryant Champagne for Care Plus Ambulance Service. Bryant and his committee will review the application and forward it to the Board of Directors.

TREASURERS REPORT:

The Treasurer's information is compiled by Dale Jackson, Sec. /Treasurer with the assistance of Mr. John Avery, PAFD.

Financials as of October/2012:

Checking	\$34,216.93
CD	4,967.86
CD #2	5,072.70
TOTAL	\$44,257.49

Secretary Treasurer Dale Jackson read the financial report, and President Owens asked for a motion to approve the report. Larry Richard made the motion to approve the financials and Jeff Wilmore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

President Owens advised the membership that a draft of the Bereavement Policy was presented to the Board of Directors at their last meeting, and with some minor changes will be ready to be brought to the membership at the December meeting for approval. Secretary Treasurer Dale Jackson will e-mail the policy to the membership prior to the meeting for review.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Owens informed the membership that dues invoices had been sent out by Deputy Chief John Avery, and members should try and get their dues payments in before the end of the year.

President Owens announced to the membership that Vice President Terry Basham recently received a promotion with Chevron Pipeline, and his new position requires him to work out of the Houston office. Terry is commuting back and forth to Houston and his new job requires him to travel. At the October Board of Directors meeting, Terry felt his new position and duties would possibly hamper his ability to perform the duties of President of the SNCA especially during unforeseen emergency responses, and had made a decision in the best interest of the SNCA Organization to step down and not move into the President position for the 2013-2014 term. President Owens commended Terry on his decision, and expressed Terry's passion for the SNCA organization. Terry expressed his intent to continue to be involved in the SNCA organization, and he felt with the elections coming up in December, it was better to bring this to the Board Members at the October meeting. President Owens informed the membership that the Board of Directors all thanked Terry for his outstanding service and passion for the organization, and his decision to do what he felt was best for the organization. Due to the vacancy which would be left by Terry, President Owens advised the membership that the Board of Directors had visited several options to fill the positions of President, Vice President, and Secretary Treasurer. At this time, President Owens called on Vernon Pierce, Sergeant at Arms, to explain to the membership the Board's decision. Vernon advised the membership that the Board of Directors voted to have current President John Owens serve another term as President, due to the confusion it would be to move all the current positions up in the order of procession. John Owens, due to the circumstances, agreed to serve another term as President to maintain the order of procession of Executive positions. With this, Vernon made a motion that the membership accept the recommendation of the Board of Directors to allow John Owens to serve another term as President, Bryant Champagne seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

President Owens also reminded the membership that elections of officers will take place at the December 2012 meeting, and anyone wanting to nominate a member for one of the upcoming positions should get their nomination in to Matt Dulaney before the end of the meeting today. President Owens read the slate of officers which Matt provided for the December elections, and asked anyone who might have a person they wanted to nominate for one of the positions needed to get with Matt by the end of the meeting.

President Owens brought to the floor a membership request from the National Park Service, and a recommendation from the Membership committee. Bryant Champagne, membership committee chairman, submitted a recommendation to the Board of Directors that the National Park Service met all the requirements for membership, and should be designated as a government agency, voting member. President Owens asked for any discussion on the recommendation, and asked for a motion from the floor. Larry Richard made a motion to accept the National Park Service as a member of the SNCA, as a government agency, voting member. Tim Ocnaschek seconded the motion, the motion carried.

President Owens brought to the floor a second membership request from GE Water and Process Technologies. Membership Chairman Bryant Champagne submitted a recommendation to the Board of Directors, indicating that GE Energy Water and Process Technologies had fulfilled all the requirements for membership, and the committee designated them as an Industrial Facility, non-voting member. President Owens asked for a motion from the floor. Ann Huff made a motion to accept GE Water and Process Technologies as an Industrial Facility, non-voting member. The motion was seconded by Charlie Kosh. The motion carried.

President Owens advised the membership of another application for membership which was received by the Regional Advisory Council (RAC), which was reviewed and tabled by the Board of Directors pending more information and review.

SPECIAL ANOUNCEMENTS

NONE

RECENT EMERGENCIES/ ISSUES:

Recent Emergencies were discussed

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – MATT DULANEY, CHAIRPERSON

Matt reminded the membership that nominations would be accepted until noon, and stated he was ready for the election at December's meeting.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: BRYANT CHAMPAGNE, CHAIRPERSON

Bryant informed the membership that he will be reviewing the membership request from Care Plus Ambulance Service, and will be following up on the application from the Regional Advisory Council.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS: STEVE CURRAN, CHAIRPERSON

No report

TRAINING & EDUCATION: LOUIS HAVENS, CHAIRPERSON

Louie reminded members of the upcoming schools and classes, and advised the membership to check the training calendar on the web site for times and locations of the training.

AWARDS COMMITTEE: STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON

No Report

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COMMUNICATIONS: PAT GRIMES, CHAIRPERSON

Pat Grimes provided the membership a report on the cities use of Blackboard Connect at a recent drill and shelter in place incident. Pat stated the system worked very well in both cases. Pat advised the membership that work continues on the Inventory Data Base, and significant success has been made getting the system ready for use.

INVENTORY: VERNON PIERCE, CHAIRPERSON

Vernon gave Kudos to Pat Grimes and committee for their work on the Inventory Data Base.

BOSSSES NIGHT: DAVID FRENZEL, CHAIRPERSON

David passed out reservation forms to the membership to obtain a count of the number of people who will be attending the Bosses Night Banquet in December. Chief Frenzel would like each member to turn in the forms as early as possible so he can make arrangements with the caterer. He asked members to be as accurate as possible when getting the numbers attending. He reminded the membership the banquet will be held on Monday, December 3, 2012 at the Groves Activity Center. The happy hour will start at 6:00 pm and the meal will be served at 7:00 pm. David also informed the membership that it is up to them to invite their guests to the event. The SNCA does not send out separate invitations to guests.

PROGRAMS: ROGER ERICKERSON, CHAIRPERSON

Roger is looking for programs next year. Needs programs from February 2013 on.

DRILLS/EXERCISES: BOB STEGALL, CHAIRPERSON

Jeremy Hansen gave a report on the AMSTEP drill which was held on October 25 & 26th. He said the drill went very well and the goals were met. Bob Stegall reminded the membership of upcoming ICS training which will be held December 4, 5, and 6th. Please go to the SNCA web site for more information on training classes.

HOMELAND SECURITY: STEVE CURRAN, CHAIRPERSON

President Owens read a report from Chief Curran regarding the status of the Port Security Grant that the City of Port Neches received for a new Fire Station. Steve informed the membership that he was granted an extension for accepting the grant pending further work on obtaining property to build the Fire Station. Steve was waiting on approval from the PNISD and his city council.

OIL SPILL: TOMMY WELLS, CHAIRPERSON

No Report

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM: TIM OCNASCHEK, CHAIRPERSON

Tim asked the membership to update contact information and MOU's in the event help is needed as a result of the recent events on the East Coast. Tim stated no requests have been received as of this time. Tim also advised the membership that Carmen Apple has been working on getting position specific training to the area. Carmen advised the membership that more information will be forthcoming on the training.

STRATEGIC PLANNING: CINDY POWERS, CHAIRPERSON

No report

GOLF TOURNAMENT: STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON

No Report

PUBLIC RELATIONS: STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON

No report.

PROGRAM:

The program was provided by Beau Maida with GT Omniport-Logistics

FUTURE SNCA MEETING HOSTS:

Please review the upcoming hosts. Each member is required to host a monthly meeting. Below is the schedule for 2013.

Host Member	Month	Year
Explorer Pipeline	December	2012
Flint Hills	January	2013
Golden Pass LNG	February	2013
Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.	March	2013
Industrial Fire World	April	2013
International Specialty Products	May	2013
Huntsman	June	2013
Jefferson County ESD #1	July	2013
Kay Electronics	August	2013

ATTENDEES: There were 58 attendees at this meeting

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Darrell Irvin and seconded by Vernon Mike Free to adjourn the 758th meeting at 11:26 am. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dale Jackson
Secretary/Treasurer

NEXT MEETING:

The 759th DECEMBER 5, 2012 meeting will be hosted by Explorer Pipeline. The meeting will be held at Courvilles in Beaumont.