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SEPTEMBER 7, 2022 MINUTES

Quorum is (10) Voting Members at Regular Meeting

The 870 meeting was held on September 7th. The meeting was hosted by Jefferson County ESD #1.

President Louie Haven called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM

Pete De la Cruz Led Us in the Prayer
Tim Ocnaschek Led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members, Tommy Shelton, Shaqueena Nobles, Matt Dulaney, Tommy Wells, Scott McDonald and Sparky Robinson were excused.

Self-Introductions were made by those present.

HOST WELCOME

There was a host welcome presented by John Johnson of Jefferson County ESD #1.

READING OF THE MINUTES

President Louie Havens asked for "Approval" of the August 2022 meeting minutes as emailed with the recommended revision. A motion was made by Lance Billeaud and seconded by Billy Ted Smith to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

PNC Bank Statement for August 2022 was presented.

E-VOTE:

The Board had evote this month. Below are the items to present to the General Membership:

1.)-Jefferson County Long Term Recovery Group - Exempt Government Agency and NGOs/Non-Voting Member Final reading/vote:

2) Louie Havens conducted the 1st Reading of the Requests/Letters of Support for the following applicants: The request will be brought back to the membership for vote at the October 5th meeting.

-West Orange Fire Department - Non-Exempt Government Agency/Voting Member

-DHS / CISA - Exempt Government Agency and NGOs/Non-Voting Member

-Solvay Specialty Polymers - Industrial Facility-Utility/Non-Voting Member

2.) Guns and Hoses Benevolent Event Port Arthur: Historically, the SNCA has supported the Port Arthur Guns & Hoses Benevolent Fund by sponsoring two (2), four (4) man shooting teams w/carts at their annual Sporting Clays Fundraiser Tournament. this year’s event will be held on Saturday, September 10 at the 1 in 100 Club in Lumberton. Total cost for this year’s event would cost \$1,700

3.) The SNCA is being honored this year by the LIT foundation and LIT wants to use our logo on the Coin and other event promotional material for the Real American Heroes banquet. I am asking for approval to allow LIT to use our logo for Real American Heroes promotional use.

This is just information and no vote was needed. Mandy Clayton gave a report on the event, how attendees could register, etc.

TREASURERS REPORT: Stephanie Garsea presented the report.

As of August 1, 2022

Checkin g	\$76,977.81,
CD #2	\$5185.22
Total	\$82,163.03

Call for motion to approve the Treasurer’s report.

“Motion” Mark Czerwiec

“Second” Doug Schuster

Ask if there is any discussion

All in favor "I"

Those opposed

Motion carries (or not) Yes

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

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All above information; no voting needed.

2) Jefferson County Long Term Recovery Group - Exempt Government Agency and NGOs/Non-Voting Member Final reading/vote:

Motion made to accept them as a member - by Ron Fletcher; seconded by Rickey Bodin; Motion passed.

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Motion made by Donte Miller and seconded by Aaron Tupper; Motion passed.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There were no special announcements for this month's meeting.

RECENT EMERGENCIES/ ISSUES: It was verified there was no media in the room.

SNCA Activations since last BOD – 1

SNCA Activations YTD - 3

*Louie Havens noted there were a few activations; provided direct help to the county.

Industry: None

Municipal Fire: None; Louie Havens did take this opportunity to update the group on the Auto Pulse equipment for PAFD; As soon as the equipment was received it was placed in service and has had success on resuscitation.

Law Enforcement: Donte Miller shared they used Mutual Aid with the Port Arthur Fire Department to assist with an arson investigation.

EMS: None

Health: Mrs. Martha provided a brief report; Covid Boosters will be available next week; Flu shots available as well. Both the booster and the flu shot can be administered at the same time.

Homeland Security: Jeremy Hanson reported that Fox 4 video did an article on the major failure with radio communications issues with the Uvalde Incident; Commended our region on the great efforts made to keep this as a priority to everyone.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – MATT DULANEY, CHAIRPERSON

Nothing to report

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: BRIAN MARKLAND, CHAIRPERSON

Louie Havens reported for Brian that there are a few new prospective members in the works.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS: STEVE CURRAN, CHAIRPERSON

Nothing to report.

WEBSITE: STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON

Stephanie reported that there is progress on the website. A Lot of behind the scenes work right now to get information caught up - old minutes, etc. More work in the months to come. The Committee is mapping out monthly tasks for Jux so that we don't go over our 2 hours/month to save our organization on funds.

MARINE FIREFIGHTING, SALVAGE, AND RECOVERY COMMITTEE: LOUIE HAVENS,

Louie Havens reported they will have a meeting soon; But they are looking to see how to use tugs during waterway emergencies; emails currently with Coast Guard.

COMMUNICATIONS: BRIAN HEBERT, CHAIRPERSON

Brian asked that it be reported to continue to check radios and communications; Pat Grimes elaborated on our interoperability.

INVENTORY: PAT GRIMES, CHAIRPERSON

Pat informed the membership to let him know if you are having any issues with getting the reminders. Also to make sure to update the organization's inventory.

TRAINING & EDUCATION: SHAQUEENA NOBLES, CHAIRPERSON

Members should check <https://www.preparingtexas.org/index.aspx>? for training opportunities.

Tim O. reminded the membership of the ICS 300 & 400 course to be held at the Beaumont EOC 9/26-9/30. Registration is at the above address and there are still seats available.

HOMELAND SECURITY: JEREMY HANSEN, CHAIRPERSON

Mike Arndt with the Coast Guard informed the group that we had a great grant season last year. Thanks to all who submitted; This area was awarded 4.4 million. September is National Preparedness Month and www.ready.gov has some good information.

AWARDS COMMITTEE: STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON

To date, there have been no nominations received. The nomination period will be extended throughout September and will be presented to the Board at the October meeting. Awards will be given at Bosses Night in December. Anyone needing a nomination form can reach out to Stephanie .

GOLF TOURNAMENT: STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON

Save the Date! 20th Annual SNCA Scholarship Golf Tournament is Friday April 28, 2023. If you have any door prize items on hand and want to donate, please get with Stephanie. More to come during the holidays on registration, etc. Thank you all who supported this event in the past and we look forward to another successful tournament in 2023.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON

There has been some work beginning on research for plans for the 75th anniversary coming up in 2024. More to come.

BOSSSES NIGHT: DAVID FRENZEL, CHAIRPERSON

The event is set for December 5, 2022 at the Groves Activity Center. More to come. Chief Frenzel passed RSVP forms for each member to complete so that he can begin obtaining a potential headcount. Thanks to Chief Frenzel for all he and his team has done the past years.

OIL SPILL: TOMMY WELLS, CHAIRPERSON

Nothing to report

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM: TIM OCNASCHEK, CHAIRPERSON

Nothing to report

INDUSTRIAL FIRE & SAFETY: SCOTT MCDONALD

No report from Scott; Louie did note they are still planning a water movement exercise next month for anyone interested.

ATTENDEES:

See attached sign-in sheets.

PROGRAM:

Justin Hildago with Jefferson County ESD #1 conducted a presentation to the membership on their service area, capabilities, staffing, etc. We are very grateful for Jefferson County ESD #1 for hosting today's lunch.

Upcoming 2022 Meeting Host

TENATIVE HOST SCHEDULE FOR 2022			
Meeting Host 2020	Meeting Number	Meeting Date	Meeting Location
CHRISTUS Hospital - St. Mary	862	January 1, 2022	Courville's
Entergy Texas	863	February 2, 2022	Bob Bower Civic Center
Explorer Pipeline	864	March 2, 2022	Rocking A
Jasper County Emergency Management	865	April 6, 2022	Courville's
Arkema Safety	866	May 4, 2022	Rocking A
WestRock Evadale	867	June 1, 2022	Courville's
ExxonMobil - Beaumont Complex	868	July 6, 2022	Rocking A
American Red Cross	869	August 3, 2022	
Jefferson County E.S.D. #1	870	September 7, 2022	Courville's
Bearcom//Kay Electronics	871	October 5, 2022	Rocking A
Industrial Rescue Instruction Systems	872	November 2, 2022	Rocking A
Enterprise Pipeline and Storage	873	December 7, 2022	Rocking A

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday October 5, 2022 at Rockin' A Cafe in Beaumont hosted by Bearcom/Kay Electronics.

Virtual Meeting information:

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

<https://share.dhs.gov/snca>

ADJOURN:

President Louie Havens requested for a motion to adjourn. Terry Morton motioned and Ricky Bodin second it. All was in favor; Meeting was adjourned at 11:11am.

Minutes by:

Stephanie Valka-Garsea

EMS Chair/ Sitting in for excused Secretary/Treasurer SNCA