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EMS Director 21-22

Sharon Whitley
Health Director 21-22

OCTOBER 5, 2022 MINUTES

Quorum is (10) Voting Members at Regular Meeting

The 871 meeting was held on October 5th. The meeting was hosted by Kay Electronics/Bearcom.

President Louie Haven called the meeting to order at 10:08 AM

Matt Dulaney Led Us in the Prayer
Tim Ocnaschek Led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Excused: Tommy Shelton, Shaqueena Nobles, Tommy Wells.

Self-Introductions were made by those present.

HOST WELCOME

There was a host welcome presented by Bearcom Team Members - Mike Wise; A brief presentation was conducted by Lloyd Waugh on the services and equipment available through Bearcom..

READING OF THE MINUTES

President Louie Havens asked for "Approval" of the September 2022 meeting minutes as emailed.

A motion was made by Billy Ted Smith and seconded by Mike White to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Louie Havens shared there were a couple of pieces of correspondence received; Mostly pipeline notices and the bank statement.

E-VOTE:

None

TREASURERS REPORT: Stephanie Garsea presented the report.

As of September 1, 2022

Checking	\$74, 215.81,
CD #2	\$5185.22
Total	\$79,401.03

Call for motion to approve the Treasurer’s report.

“Motion” Scott McDonald

“Second” Matt Dulaney

Ask if there is any discussion

All in favor “I”

Those opposed

Motion carries (or not) Yes

OLD BUSINESS:

1.) Membership Requests/Letters of Support - Vote

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

Motion: Mark Czerwiec

“Second” Mike White

Motion carries (or not) Yes

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

Motion: Billy Ted Smith

“Second” Mike White

Motion carries (or not) Yes

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

Motion: Sharon Whitley

“Second” Mike White

Motion carries (or not) Yes

*No other old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Louie Havens noted we have a couple of applications received. They will go to the Board later this month and to the General Membership to vote next month.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We have two presentations for today in addition to our Host Presentation by Bearcom.

*Greg Bostwick Presented a Weather Briefing:

*FBI Division Presentation:

RECENT EMERGENCIES/ ISSUES:

SNCA Activations since last BOD – 1

SNCA Activations YTD - 5

Industry: None

Municipal Fire: None;

Law Enforcement: None

EMS: None

Health: Mrs. Martha provided a brief report; They will begin drive-through Flu vaccinations ; Monkeypox cases are down. Make sure to get your flu shot!

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – MATT DULANEY, CHAIRPERSON

Matt shared that nominations for elections will begin next month. He will present a list to the membership. He expressed his gratitude for those SNCA members who have and are currently serving in a leadership position.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: BRIAN MARKLAND, CHAIRPERSON (Absent)

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

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS: STEVE CURRAN, CHAIRPERSON (Absent)

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 (Absent)

No report from Brian; Louie asked that everyone continue to check radios and communications and participate in the weekly checks.

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 (Absent)

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

Jeff Phillips shared that there was very good attendance at the ICS 300 and 400 held at the end of September. Also Billy Ted Smith has a course he can offer on Command Unit Leadership. Lastly, Integrated Preparedness Meeting at the EOC will be in November and they will send out meeting notices for this as all 2023 physical year schedule of events. If anyone has input on what is needed please let them know and they will try to accomodate the request.

Elgin Browning with IRIS shared that they would like to know what the community needs. They are planning their 2023 training schedule and would like to accommodate. Looking at training possibly B and C teams for an event when A team begin fatigued. They need 12 people in a class;

Justin Wright with Williams Fire shared there will be a Fire demo November 2 to November 17th; He will send information fliers to the group.

HOMELAND SECURITY: JEREMY HANSEN, CHAIRPERSON

October is Cyber Security Month; They are heavily engaged in Election security. ESF14 is a cross-section between business and industry. CISA takes a role in disaster response. If you have an upcoming drill and need input, you can reach out to Jeremy. Continue to push notices through Shaqueena.

Mike Arnett provided the Maritime Report: Please share any suspicious activity. Even small activity will be researched and could be part of a bigger event. An example could be someone taking pictures, etc. They are willing to investigate these instances for everyone.

Kaylen Arendale from SETRPC reported that Election Security became a priority in the area. If someone has a project to be considered to reach out. The site www.ready.gov has some good information.

AWARDS COMMITTEE: STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON

To date, there has been one nomination received. This will be presented to the Board at the October meeting. Awards will be given at Bosses Night in December.

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. Pricing, etc of items are being obtained and a committee meeting is coming soon.

BOSES NIGHT: DAVID FRENZEL, CHAIRPERSON

The event is set for December 5, 2022 at the Groves Activity Center. More to come. Social will be at 6pm and dinner for 7pm. Chief Frenzel passed RSVP forms for each member to complete so that he can begin obtaining a headcount which is due to the caterer 30 days prior. Thanks to Chief Frenzel for all he and his team has done the past years.

OIL SPILL: TOMMY WELLS, CHAIRPERSON (Absent)

Nothing to report

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM: TIM OCNASCHEK, CHAIRPERSON

The National Convention will be held in February 2023. If we want to send one member from our team to attend we will need to vote next month so that reservations can be made. Possibly consider a member being sponsored by SNCA, and one from LEPC so we can send 2 from our Region.

INDUSTRIAL FIRE & SAFETY: SCOTT MCDONALD

Third quarter meeting will be SEptember 20th at Dow Orange. They are asking members to provide more detail of inventory available in our area such as specific types of foam, etc. This will assist when looking for resources during an event.

ATTENDEES:

See attached sign-in sheets.

PROGRAM:

Greg Bostwick Presented a Weather Briefing:

Chief Meteorologist Greg Bostwick provided a very detail presentation on the current season update, a bit of history of previous storms, trending, etc. Good news, per Greg, with the projected cool fronts, the 2022 Hurricane Season looks to be done.

FBI Division Presentation:

Their team presented the existing infrastructure and anti-terrorism divisions, capabilities, and projects. Attached is the information distributed to the membership and presented.

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	Rockin A
Industrial Rescue Instruction Systems	872	November 2, 2022	Rockin A
Enterprise Pipeline and Storage	873	December 7, 2022	Rockin A

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday November 2, 2022 at Rockin A Cafe in Beaumont hosted by Industrial Rescue Instruction Systems.

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. Stephanie Garsea motioned and Ricky Bodin second it. All was in favor; Meeting was adjourned at 11:45am.

Minutes by:

Stephanie Valka-Garsea

EMS Chair/ Sitting in for excused Secretary/Treasurer SNCA



Federal Bureau of Investigation TRIPWIRE PROGRAM



Potential Indicators of Terrorist/Criminal Activity Related to Maritime Ports and Facilities

Each indicator listed may be, by itself, lawful conduct/behavior and may also constitute the exercise of rights guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution. There may be a wholly innocent explanation for the conduct/behavior that appears suspicious in nature. A totality of behavioral indicators and other relevant circumstances should be evaluated when considering law enforcement notification/response. If determined that conduct/behavior is, in fact, suspicious, law enforcement professionals should further examine the circumstances. No single indicator should be the sole basis for law enforcement action.

Speech, Actions, Beliefs, Appearances, or Way of Life does not, in and of itself, equate to a suspicious individual.

INDICATORS

People Who:

- Inquire about security of a port and/or port facility that do not work on the port or at a port facility.
- Try to enter the port and/or facility with fraudulent identification.
- Are found in unauthorized areas of the port or facility without a legitimate reason to be there.
- Are observed on the port or grounds of a port facility after normal hours of operation, without a legitimate reason to be there.
- Attempt to buy or rent fishing or recreational vessels with cash for undefined use and for a short period of time.
- Display nervous or secretive behavior, such as sweating or avoiding eye contact with authorities.
- Are observed photographing or photo panning the port/facility, vessels, and port operations with a hidden or openly displayed camera, cell phone or drone, in such a manner that appears focused on security or access points.
- Arrive or leave with unusual items, luggage or packages, e.g. items that appear unrelated to maritime activities and/or seem otherwise out of place.
- Are observed apparently intentionally leaving unattended packages on the docks and/or in port facilities.

- Appear to be monitoring port entry and exit points, vehicles, port/ facility parking areas and port personnel.

Vessel-related Indicators/Activities:

- Recovering or tossing unusual items into or onto the waterway or shoreline.
- Unattended vessels.
- Suspicious signaling between boats and/or vessels.
- Unusual diving activity.
- Unusual and/or excessive number of people onboard vessels.
- Unauthorized or unusual boating activities.
- Disturbed fencing or lighting on port or facility.
- Suspicious transfer of items between ships and/or boats or between ship and shore.
- Unauthorized vessels observed near industrial facilities such as power plants, oil refineries, chemical, and water intake facilities.
- Unauthorized vessels observed near military bases, government facilities, and/or security zones on or near the port.
- Vessels operating or anchoring in unauthorized areas or areas that typically do not have such activity and unattended vessels.

1 855 TELL FBI (1 855 835 5324) or <https://tips.fbi.gov>

FBI DIVISION // PHONE NUMBER // EMAIL

ACTION

Don't assume suspicious behaviors have already been reported. Report your observations, even if others may have witnessed the same concerning behaviors.

Be part of the solution...

- ❖ Require valid ID from all employees, customers, and visitors to ports and facilities, in keeping with state and federal laws.
- ❖ Talk to people, ask questions, listen to answers, and document responses.
- ❖ Watch for people and actions that are out of place.
- ❖ Photograph suspicious people, and/or vehicles/vessels if possible.
- ❖ Report suspicious incidents to port police and/or local law enforcement authorities.
- ❖ When contacting the FBI Tip Line (1-855-TELL-FBI or <https://tips.fbi.gov>), please reference Tripwire.

You know your business and environment.

If something seems wrong, notify law enforcement authorities as soon as possible.

Do not jeopardize your safety or the safety of others

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