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SABINE-NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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August M I N U T E S

Quorum is (10) Voting Members at Regular Meeting

NEXT MEETING

The **September 3rd**, 2008 **710th** SNCA meeting at **10:00 a.m.** will be hosted by Huntsman at the Lumberton Fire Department, 228 Country Lane (FM 421 between Highway 69 and Highway 96).

The **709th** Sabine Neches Chiefs Association meeting was hereby called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday August 6th, 2008 and was hosted by Valero at Esther's Restaurant

Ricky Land gave the invocation.

Steve Curran led the Pledge of Allegiance .

Self-introductions were made and Host, Melvin Schmidt with Valero welcomed the membership.

The following SNCA Officers were excused: Vernon Pierce, Tod McDowell, and Mark Brown.

READING OF THE MINUTES

President Jeff Bolton, asked for "Approval" of the **708th** previous month's minutes as e-mailed for the July 2nd, 2008 meeting. A motion was made by Scott Kerwood and seconded by Mike White to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDANCE – None

TREASURERS REPORT

Information compiled by John Owens, Sec./Treasurer with the assistance of John Avery, PAFD

Balance as of 7/31/08:

Checking:	\$12,819.53
CD	\$ 4,967.86

Total Balance	\$17,787.39

A motion was made by Terry Basham and seconded by Darrel Irvin to approve the report from the Treasurer. Motion passed.

SNCA Dues Payment: Current list is available for viewing of those members who have paid dues.

MEMBER	PAID FY '08 DUES
Acadian Ambulance	x
American Red Cross	x
Arkema Safety	x
AtoFina-Beaumont (Total)	
Ausimont USA, Inc	
BASF/Beaumont	x
BASF/Pt. Arthur	X
Beaumont Fire Department	x
Beaumont Health Department	x
Beaumont Police Department	x
BMC Holdings, Inc. (Terra Capital)	x
Bridge City Police Department	x
C&B Services	
C.A. "Pete" Shelton	Exempt
Center Point Energy	x
Charley Watson	Exempt
Chevron/Phillips Chemical Co. - Orange	
Chevron/Phillips Chemical Co. - P.A.	x

Chevron-UGT Pipeline	x
China/West Jefferson Co.	x
CHRISTUS Hospital - St. Elizabeth	x
CHRISTUS Hospital - St. Mary	x
Colonial Pipeline Company	X
Dick Nugent	Exempt
Dooley Tackaberry	x
Draeger Safety Inc.	returned unpaid
Dyn McDermott Petroleum	x
E. I. DuPont (Orange)	x
Entergy Company/Sabine Plant	x
Entergy Texas	x
Equistar-PD Glycol/Oxy-Chem	
Explorer Pipeline	x
ExxonMobil Beaumont Refinery	x
ExxonMobil Chemical BOAP/O/A	x
ExxonMobil Chemical P/E	
Father Don Golaskinsky	Exempt
Fire Source	
Firestone Polymers	x
Flint Hills Attn: Lance Foster	
Foster Enterprises	x
G.C. Baldwin	Exempt
Garner Environmental	x
Gerdau Steel	x
Goodyear Tire Rubber Co.	x
Groves Fire Department	x
Groves Police Department	x
Hagemeyer North America	x
Hamshire Fire Department	x
Hardin County Emergency Management	x
Hardin County ESD # 2 (Lumberton Fire)	x
Hardin County ESD #5 (Sour Lake Fire)	X
Hardin County Sheriff Dept.	x
Harold N. Shavers	Exempt
Huntsman	x
Industrial Fire World	x
International Specialty Products	x
ISTC	X
Jefferson County E.S.D. #1	X
Jefferson County Emg. Mgt.	x
Jefferson County LEPC	X
Jefferson County Sheriff Dept.	x
Jerry Wimberley	Exempt
Jim Herrington	Exempt
John Harrington	Exempt
John Paul Freely	Exempt
Kay Electronics	x

Kenneth Browning	Exempt
LaBelle-Fannette FD	X
Lanxess (Bayer)	
Louis Miller	Exempt
Lucite (DuPont) Beaumont	x
Martin Midstream Patners L.P.	x
McLewis VFD	X
Memorial Herman Baptist - Beaumont	x
Memorial Herman Baptist - Orange	x
Merisol	
Mine Safety Appliances Co.	
Motiva Enterprises	x
Motorola	returned unpaid
National Weather Service	Exempt
Neches Industrial Park	returned unpaid
Nederland Fire & Rescue	X
Nederland Police Department	x
Nick Davis	Exempt
Nome Volunteer Fire Department	x
Oil Mop	X
Orange County Emergency Mgt.	x
Orange County ESD #1	x
Orange County ESD #2	x
Orange County ESD #3	x
Orange County Health - UTMB	x
Orange County Sheriff	
Orange Fire Department	x
Orange Police Department	x
Peak Sulfur, Inc. (ChemTrade Logistics)	x
Pinehurst Fire Department	x
Pinehurst Police Department	x
Port Arthur Fire Department	x
Port Arthur Police Department	X
Port Neches Fire Department	x
Port Neches Groves ISD	x
Port Neches Police Department	x
R. A. Dick Nugent	Exempt
R. H. "Junior" Bruce	Exempt
R. J. Wood	Exempt
Ray Broussard	Exempt
S. D. Strickland	Exempt
Shell Pipeline Company LP	x
Silsbee Fire Department (Hardin ESD#6)	x
Simplex Grinnell - Bmt Fire Ext	x
Southeast Texas Air Rescue(MTC)	X
Southeast Texas Regional Airport	X
Stat Care EMS	x
Sun Marine Terminal (Sunoco)	x

SWLA Mutual Aid Association	Exempt
Texas Eastern/Eastern Prod. P/L	returned unpaid
Texas Gas	X
Texas GLO Regional Mgr.	Exempt
Texas Petrochemicals	X
Total Inc.-Pt. Arthur	x
TX. Dept of Public Safety	Exempt
United States Coast Guard	Exempt
Valero	X
VIDOR ISD	x
Vidor Police Department	x
Water District #10 VFD	X
Webb, Murray & Associates	X
West Orange Fire Department	
West Orange Police Department	X
Westvaco	
Williams Fire & Hazard Control	x
WSI (TOTAL SAFETY)	X

OLD BUSINESS

President Bolton discussed the clarification of membership status regarding a request for SNCA membership from “Sartomer Company”, Beaumont, Texas. The clarification was in reference to whether Sartomer actually fit the definition of a “Voting Member” that can physically respond to emergencies. President Bolton spoke with representatives of Sartomer Company and was advised that Sartomer cannot respond to emergencies outside their facility. The membership had previously agreed the Application for Membership should be tabled for additional clarification until the next scheduled Board of Directors meeting in July. President Bolton advised the Board discussed this issue and recommends that Sartomer Company’s application for membership be accepted, and they be classified as an Industrial “Non-Voting Member” since they do not respond outside their facility. Greg Fountain made a motion that the Membership accept the Board recommendation and Larry McBride Seconded the motion. Motion Passed. Secretary/Treasurer Owens will notify representatives of Sartomer Company of the aforementioned decision on their membership request.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Bolton announced the designated voting membership would now vote on the proposed Constitution and By-Law Changes that were brought before the general membership in the last regularly scheduled monthly meetings of April, May, June and July, 2008. The proposed changes were previously emailed in the “Minutes” of the described meetings and available in hard copy. President Bolton advised that paper ballots would be used for voting to ensure accuracy and efficiency. Therefore paper ballots were used for the aforementioned vote by only designated Voting Members as defined in Article II Section 2 of the SNCA Constitution.

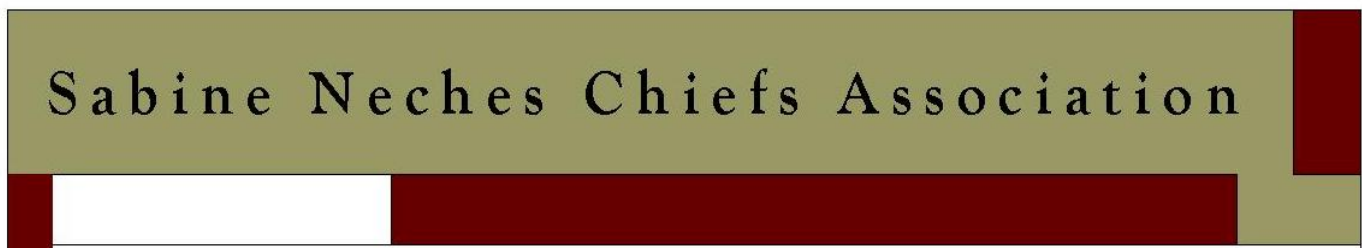
prospective attendees fill out the attached “ IFW 2009 Conference Workshop Feedback” to assist them. Once completed, please email the form to Kendra Graff at Kendra@fireworld.com

For a complete, up-to-date listing of area Training and Education Opportunities for First Responders, please refer to the SNCA Website and click on “Calendar of Events”. Should you have any training opportunities that you want posted, Elgin asks that you contact him at EBrowning@gt.rr.com

Awards Committee: Stephanie Garsea

Stephanie was unable to attend the meeting, but requested that Ricky Land speak on her behalf.

Ricky advised the membership to utilize the newly designed Awards Nomination Form (see below) when nominating a member for an Award to be presented at Boss’s Night in December.



Awards Nomination Form

If you wish to nominate a Sabine Neches Chiefs Association Member for an Award, Please complete the form below and return to the Awards Committee Chairperson. All Nominations will be kept confidential.

Person Being Nominated	
Business Association:	
Please note the reason(s) why you feel your nominee is noteworthy to receive an Award from the SNCA? (Please attached an additional pages if needed)	
Nominated By:	

Your Contact #:	
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Please return completed Nomination Forms by the September General Meeting. The Awards will be given out at the Boss's Night Event in December!

Thank you for your participation to help recognize an outstanding member of our Association.

Communications Committee: Pat Grimes

Pat advised that the "First Call" System malfunctioned during Tropical Storm Edouard. This system is designed to send out either a pre-scripted or customized telephone message. Pat advised First Call representatives that some of the "messages" sent out to citizens did not get delivered. First Call will hopefully fix the problem.

Pat advised work on the setinfo.org website will soon be completed which will make it possible to distribute Press Releases through the website during any "event" such as Edouard and other events as needed.

Inventory: Vernon Pierce- No Report

Bosses Night: David Frenzel – No Report

Program Committee: Bryant Champagne- No Report

Programs are scheduled through September of this year. However, Bryant welcomes any prospective Programs for the remainder of the year.

Should any member have an idea for a program, please contact Bryant at (409) 989-7909 or bryant.champagne@motivaent.com

Drill and Exercise Committee: Bob Stegall

Bob advised the AMSTEP Exercise held July 15-17, 2008 went very well. He thanked all of the participating parties. He advised the After Action Report should be completed in approximately (3) weeks.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Homeland Security Committee: Steve Curran

Steve advised the deadline for application for DHS Port Security funding is August 15th, 2008. There is a 25% per cent cash match for any funds awarded. Anyone interested in applying, please email their respective "Investment Justification" to Bob Stegall, Robert.W.Stegall@uscg.mil

Oil Spill Committee: Tommy Wells

Tommy advised the Committee met on June 27th in Lake Charles, La. Topics of discussion included Safety, Preparedness, Hazards and Emergency Operations. He advised the Committee planned to meet sometime in September and were currently looking for a "host" for the meeting. Anyone interested in hosting the September meeting should email Tommy. thwells@sunocologistics.com

Overhead Team Committee: Scott Kerwood

Scott advised Jerry Ziller, Terry Basham and Jeff Kelley recently assisted the Texas Forest Service in going over Incident Management Team (IMT) Task Books to ensure all applicants met the qualifications for Incident Management Team members.

Scott advised that "Activation" requests came from the State for Hurricane Dolly deployment. Several local IMT members were on stand-by, but no one was actually deployed.

Scott advised he still needs "Credentialing Information" from members who have made IMT application. The deadline to get this information to Scott is September 1st, 2008.

Scott stated that he is still working on a Memorandum of Understanding for parent agencies to sign when and if IMT personnel are actually deployed.

Scott also stated that he is considering calling a special meeting to discuss "recruiting" prospective personnel to become IMT members; specifically industry personnel or municipal public works personnel. This will add depth to the Incident Management Teams.

Strategic Planning Committee: Cindy Powers- No Report

SNCA Golf Tournament Committee: Bobby Layne/ Bryant Champagne- No Report

Public Relations Committee: Stephanie Garsea—No Report

RECENT EMERGENCIES/ ISSUES

Recent emergencies were discussed in the following categories: Industry, Municipal Fire, Law Enforcement, EMS, Homeland Security and Health.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Jeff Bolton announced the 2008 Salute to Real American Heroes Dinner: Wednesday, September 10, 2008 7pm-9pm at the Harvest Club, 2600 Gulf Street, Beaumont, Texas. The purpose of the dinner is to honor all service men and women as well as raise funds for scholarships for students in the Fire, Police, EMT and Homeland Security programs at Lamar Institute of Technology. This event is open and free to all uniformed Police, Fire, EMS, and Military Personnel and their spouses. Flyers were available at the sign-in table.

**** After this announcement, Larry Richard made a “motion” and a “second” was made by Scott Kerwood to formerly donate all of the profit/proceeds from the annual SNCA Golf Tournament to the Salute to Real American Heroes Scholarship Fund. Motion passed unanimously.**

Secretary/Treasurer John Owens announced that he was working on the SNCA Host schedule for 2009 and needed “hosts” for the months of February and May, 2009. * After the announcement, Garner Environmental agreed to host the February, 2009 meeting.

PROGRAM

No Program.....due to Constitution and By-Law Amendment voting.

PLEASE NOTE THE UP-COMING HOSTS:

MONTH	YEAR	ENTITY
September	2008	Huntsman
October	2008	TOTAL Petrochemicals
November	2008	Stat-Care Ambulance
December	2008	Orange Co. ESD #3
January	2009	SNCA: Strategic Planning Meeting
February	2009	Garner Environmental
March	2009	Goodyear
April	2009	SNCA: Strategic Planning Meeting
May	2009	Need Host
June	2009	Exxon-Mobil
July	2009	SNCA: Strategic Planning Meeting
August	2009	Nederland Fire Department
September	2009	Motiva
October	2009	Port Neches Fire Department
November	2009	Port Arthur Police and Fire Departments
December	2009	Beaumont Fire and Police Departments

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Scott Kerwood and seconded by Larry Richard to adjourn the [709th](#) meeting at 11:30 a.m. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Owens

Secretary/Treasurer