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## SABINE-NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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## APRIL 2013 MINUTES

### Quorum is (10) Voting Members at Regular Meeting

The 763rd Sabine Neches Chiefs Association meeting was called to order at 10:11 a.m. on Wednesday April 3, 2013, the Bob Bowers-City of Port Arthur Civic Center, 3401 Cultural Center Drive, off Hwy 73 in Port Arthur.

Jeff McNeel gave the invocation.

Dale Jackson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The host for the April Strategic Planning meeting was the Sabine Neches Chiefs Association and the group was welcomed by President John Owens and Port Arthur Mayor Deloris "Bobbie" Prince .

The following SNCA Officers were excused: Tommy Wells, Jeff Kelley, 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 Gary Collins and seconded Charlie Kosh to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE: (none)**

## TREASURERS REPORT:

The Treasurer's information is compiled by Tim Ocnaschek, Sec. /Treasurer with the assistance of Assistant Chief John Avery, PAFD.

Financials as of April 2, 2013:

Checking	\$36,077.61
Undeposited golf checks	\$ 1,400.00
CD	\$ 4,967.86
CD #2	<u>\$ 5,072.70</u>
Total	<u>\$47,518.17</u>

Note: Checking includes golf receipts restricted as to use

Vice President Dale Jackson read the financial report, and President Owens asked for a motion to approve the report. Steve Curran made the motion to approve the financials and Stephanie Garsea seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### OLD BUSINESS:

President Owens asked members to check the list for remaining unpaid dues and requested they be paid.

### NEW BUSINESS:

President Owens reminded membership that the Secretary Treasurer emailed the proposed changes to the constitution and by-laws and the updated SOGs to membership on Feb 19 at 12:17 PM to allow time for review. Then at the general SNCA meeting on March 6, 2013, Steve Curran provided a briefing and in-depth review of all changes to the constitution. These notifications met the 30 day notice requirement for membership prior to this meeting. Then Steve Curran reviewed the By-Laws reminded membership that the President has the authority to implement standard operating guidelines (SOGs) without bringing each one to the membership. President Owens asked for a motion to approve the constitutional updates which was made by Doug Jones and seconded by Larry Richard. The motion carried. President Owens then asked for a motion to approve updates to the By-Laws which was made by Doug Jones and seconded by Larry Richard. That motion carried as well.

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mike Free reminded membership about the fund raiser for Mary Mulliner, the wife of Port Arthur Fire Marshal Mark Mulliner who was diagnosed with cancer and has very limited medical coverage. The benefit will occur on April 6 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the St. Charles Catholic Church in Nederland.

### RECENT EMERGENCIES/ ISSUES:

Recent Emergencies were discussed

### BREAK:

### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – MATT DULANEY, CHAIRPERSON

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No report

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:** BRYANT CHAMPAGNE, CHAIRPERSON

No report

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS:** STEVE CURRAN, CHAIRPERSON

Constitution approved.

**HOMELAND SECURITY:** STEVE CURRAN, CHAIRPERSON

Port Security Assessment is being conducted at this time, with focus on five facilities.

**WEBSITE:** STEVE CURRAN, CHAIRPERSON

Steve Curran provided a report on the website, to include membership information, with details on membership status, honorary member designation, etc. During the Strategic meeting, time was spent going over individual memberships, and email contact lists to provide verification and necessary edits to the extent time allowed.

**COMMUNICATIONS and INVENTORY:** PAT GRIMES, CHAIRPERSON

Pat Grimes provided an opportunity during the Strategic meeting to update membership and inventory information on the SNCA database.

**TRAINING & EDUCATION:** LOUIS HAVENS, CHAIRPERSON

Louie Havens reminded members of several upcoming schools and classes, and advised the membership to check the training calendar on the SNCA website for times and locations of the training.

Brian Cater advised that a RACES Drill/South Texas ARES drill would be held April 27, from 8am to 2pm. Each person can set up at his or her agency or facility.

**AWARDS COMMITTEE:** STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON

No report.

**GOLF TOURNAMENT:** STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON

Stephanie Garsea provided an update on preparations for the fundraiser, noting that 35 teams are currently registers, along with 14 hole sponsors. She did note that additional hole sponsorships and goody bag items were needed.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON

Stephanie Garsea provided some information, and displayed patches and brochures.

**BOSSSES NIGHT:** DAVID FRENZEL, CHAIRPERSON

No report.

**PROGRAMS:** ROGER ERICKSON, CHAIRPERSON

Programs are good at this time.

**DRILLS/EXERCISES:** BOB STEGALL, CHAIRPERSON

Bob Stegall read a letter from the Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Coast Guard recognizing SNCA as a best practice nationally.

**OIL SPILL:** TOMMY WELLS, CHAIRPERSON (Absent)

No Report

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM: TIM OCNASCHEK, CHAIRPERSON**

No report

**STRATEGIC PLANNING: CINDY POWERS, CHAIRPERSON**

This strategic meeting was focused on updating membership information both on the website and SNCA database.

**PROGRAM:**

No program due to Strategic Planning focus.

**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
International Specialty Products	May	2013
Huntsman	June	2013
Jefferson County ESD #1	July	2013
Kay Electronics	August	2013
Enterprise Pipeline and Storage	September	2013
GE Energy Water & Storage	October	2013
Industrial Rescue Instruction Systems	November	2013
Invista (SARL Orange)	December	2013

**ATTENDEES:** There were 66 attendees at this meeting

**ADJOURN:**

A motion was made by Larry Richard and seconded by Steve Curran to adjourn the 763rd meeting at 12:21 pm. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Tim Ocnaschek**  
**Secretary/Treasurer**

**NEXT MEETING:**

**The 764th May 1, 2013 meeting will be hosted by Ashland Performance Material (ISP) at Rockin A, Cardinal Dr, in Beaumont.**