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SABINE-NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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Industry Director 14-15

Chris Gonzales
Industry Director 15-16

Gary Porter
Police Director 14-15

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Police Director 15-16

David Frenzel
At-Large Director 15-16

Stephanie Garsea
EMS Director 15-16

Cindy Powers
Health Director 15-16

DECEMBER 2015 MINUTES

Quorum is (10) Voting Members at Regular Meeting

The 795th Sabine Neches Chiefs Association meeting was called to order by President Dale Jackson, at 10:10 a.m. Wednesday, December 2, 2015, at Big Rich Courvilles, Beaumont. The event was sponsored by Hayden and Company.

Brad Penisson gave the invocation.

Tim Ocnaschek led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Host Welcome: The host welcome was by Austin Prather – Hayden and Company.

Board members Charlie Kosh, David Frenzel, Tommy Wells, Chris Gonzales, and Stephanie Garsea were excused from the meeting.

Self Introductions were made by those present.

READING OF THE MINUTES

President Jackson asked for “Approval” of the previous month’s minutes as e-mailed:

A motion was made by John Owens and seconded by Tommy Shelton to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Tim Ocnaschek showed membership the plaque provided to the SNCA by President Billy Ted Smith and the East Texas Mutual Aid Association in recognition of IMT support for the flooding incident this past summer.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Financials as of 10/1, 2015:

Checking	\$ 50,826.69
CD	\$ 4,967.86
CD#2	\$ 5,154.20
Total	\$ 60,948.75

John Avery read the financial report. He also advised membership that we were behind normal payments with 41 members still needing to submit dues at this time. Although some entities have to wait until after January 1, a request was made to get dues submitted if possible by the December 31 deadline. A membership request was made to send a list of members needing to pay with the minutes as a reminder.

Gary Collins made a motion that was seconded by Bryant Champagne to approve the financial report. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

LIT provided a Scholarship Agreement Letter (Attached) regarding scholarship eligibility with donated funds from SNCA which will be discussed and voted on by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

Membership Committee Chair Bryant Champagne reviewed the recommendation by the Board to accept Jefferson County ESD #4 as a government entity voting member. A motion was made by John Owens and seconded by Tommy Shelton to accept the recommendation. Motion passed.

John Avery reviewed the proposed FY 2016 SNCA budget revision being submitted to the Board for a vote. Copy attached.

President Jackson read membership the voting process rules from the Constitution and then passed the floor to Nomination Committee Chair Matt Dulaney to run the annual election. He opened the floor for last minute nominations at 10:41 AM and close the floor at 10:42 AM with no new nominations submitted. He then called for voting to be conducted. He teamed with Sgt At Arms Carman Apple and Shaqueena Nobles to tally the votes resulting in the following elections:

Fire Director 16-17, will continue to be held by Bryant Champagne
Industry Director 16-17, will continue to be held by Tommy Wells
Police Director 16-17, currently held by Gary Porter will now be held by John Owens

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Port Neches had a fireman injured badly during a vehicle extrication response earlier that morning and was currently at St. Elizabeth Hospital undergoing treatment.

Hardin County was approved as a Federally Declared Disaster area with Individual Assistance authorized. Carman Apple was conducting a followup survey this afternoon with other officials in hopes of getting Public Assistance added to that declaration.

Roger Erickson informed membership weather forecasts predict a very cold and stormy winter. NWS will provide a detailed summary during the weekly weather conference call with the Emergency Management officials Thursday. A copy of the briefing slides will be submitted to membership for review.

RECENT EMERGENCIES/ ISSUES:

SNCA – No Activations in September

SNCA Activations YTD 5 1/7/15, 1/12/15, 1/14-21/15, 2/17/15 and 6/17/15.

Industry

Municipal Fire

Law Enforcement

EMS

Health –

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – MATT DULANEY, CHAIRPERSON

No additional information.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: BRYANT CHAMPAGNE, CHAIRPERSON

New Business only.

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

There will be some changes discussed by the Board at the next meeting.

WEBSITE: STEVE CURRAN, CHAIRPERSON (Absent)

No report.

HOMELAND SECURITY: JEREMY HANSEN, CHAIRPERSON

AMSC Workshop at the Orange County EOC will be held 17-18 February.

MARINE FIREFIGHTING, SALVAGE, AND RECOVERY COMMITTEE: LOUIS HAVENS, CHAIRPERSON

No Report

COMMUNICATIONS and INVENTORY: PAT GRIMES, CHAIRPERSON

Absent – Current SNCA Database information for Evacuees needing assistance will be archived at the end of the year as normal in preparation for new information to be provided starting in January.

TRAINING & EDUCATION: LOUIS HAVENS, CHAIRPERSON

- Regional IED Tabletop 14 January 2016 at SETRPC

- Regional IMT and Jurisdiction Operation Readiness Exercise (ORE) at Ford Park 26-28 January 2016

- Hazmat Operations refresher training opportunities in Beaumont in January on PreparingTexas.Org

AWARDS COMMITTEE: STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON (absent)

Ready for Bosses night next week

GOLF TOURNAMENT: STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON (absent)

Golf tournament is scheduled for April 22, 2016 and solicitation for sponsorship and teams will begin at Bosses Night next week.

Providing Mutual Aid for Over 65 Years

PUBLIC RELATIONS: STEPHANIE GARSEA, CHAIRPERSON (absent)

No Report

BOSSSES NIGHT: DAVID FRENZEL, CHAIRPERSON (absent)

Event set for Monday at the Groves Activity Center, located at 6150 39th St, Groves, Texas. Members have to invite their own bosses and officials. Social starts at 6PM.

PROGRAMS: ALETA CAPPEN, CHAIRPERSON

No Report

DRILLS/EXERCISES: BOB STEGALL, CHAIRPERSON

Absent – No Report

OIL SPILL: TOMMY WELLS, CHAIRPERSON

Absent – No Report

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM: TIM OCNASCHEK, CHAIRPERSON

No Report

STRATEGIC PLANNING: CINDY POWERS, CHAIRPERSON

No Report

PROGRAM:

Austin Prather- Emergency Equipment and Business overview

ATTENDEES: There were 78 attendees at this meeting, 42 Voting; 12 Non-Voting; 2 Honorary Members; 17 Member Agency and 5 guests.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Cindy Powers and seconded by Gary Collins to adjourn the 795th meeting at 11:08 am. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Ocnaschek

Vice President

NEXT MEETING:

The 796th meeting will be held on January 6, 2016, the meeting will be sponsored by – West Orange Police Department and will be held at a location to be determined later.

The proposed host list through 2016 is attached.

Proposed Host List

S&S Sprinkler (new member Dec 2014)	794	November 1, 2015
Hayden and Company (new member Dec 2014)	795	December 1, 2015
West Orange Police Department	796	January 1, 2016
Jack Brooks (Southeast Texas) Regional Airport	797	February 1, 2016
Texas Gas (Southern Union)	798	March 1, 2016
Total Inc.-Pt. Arthur	799	April 1, 2016
Orange Fire Department	800	May 1, 2016
BASF/Beaumont	801	June 1, 2016
Hardin County Emergency Management		July 1, 2016
Martin Midstream Patners L.P.	803	August 1, 2016
Entergy Texas	804	September 1, 2016
Jefferson County Emg. Mgt.	805	October 1, 2016
Orange County ESD #2	806	November 1, 2016
Jefferson County Sheriff Dept.	807	December 1, 2016