

The 574th meeting of the Sabine-Neches Chiefs Association was called to order by President Lynn Baldwin at 10:00 A.M. on February 5, 1997. The meeting was hosted by Ausimont Chemical and held at the Sunset Grove Country Club in Orange, Texas.

The invocation was given by Fred Hoffman.

The group was welcomed by Mr. Bill Ruger, Environmental Manager of Ausimont Chemical.

- Self introductions were made.
- No new bills were introduced.
- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Business Items:

- President Baldwin gave an update on the progress of the MCI Disaster Trailer title transfer
- John Williams of Huntsman addressed the group and encouraged the organization's meetings to be more value added. He would like the meetings to address practical issues and be more of a learning experience for all. A brief discussion followed with various ideas concerning this format. The Board of Directors will discuss this proposal at the upcoming meeting. Please let us know how you feel about this issue.
- John Williams advised that a marine training session would be funded later this year by Huntsman if the SNCA was interested in being the sponsoring agency. President Baldwin commented that the proposal would be also be discussed at the next Board meeting.

Committee Reports:

- Communication
Chief Bertrand of Beaumont Fire Department explained that District Chief

Pat Shelton had been transferred from Communication to Suppression and that District Chief Jerry Lyons would be assuming his responsibilities.

- Constitution & By-Laws
No Report
- Training
No Report
- Road Block
No Report
- Inventory/Organization
David Frenzel questioned if the nylon slings that belong to the SNCA that are housed at the Orange Fire Department could be relocated to another facility. Chief Bertrand of Beaumont responded that they could be housed at the Fire field.
- Oil Spill
No Report
- Nominating Committee
No Report
- Emergency Management/News Media
No Report
- Programs
Current programs for meetings are booked through July, 1997.

Special Announcements:

- President Baldwin announced that Lt. Pat Clark from the USCG is looking for some evaluators for a drill on the 27th of this month. If you are available and interested, please contact Lt. Clark at 723-6509 ext. 255.
- President Baldwin announced that Lamar University was helping with plans to hold a working-class shipboard firefighting class in May. Municipal and industrial personnel will be invited to attend. Details and date will follow as they are finalized.
- Chief Bertrand gave the dates of the Annual School as May 12-16, 1997 and asked that industry take a look at what is being offered this year and consider sending their personnel. President Baldwin added that any donations needed for

this school should be requested as soon as possible.

- Fred Hoffman announced upcoming schools.
- Scott Kerwood of the Vidor Fire Department, also a member of the NFPA Board of Directors, discussed proposed standards and rules that could affect industry in the future.

Program

- Lt. Nate Edgecomb of the USCG provided a video presentation of the ICS Unified Command System for the United States Coast Guard.

David Frenzel
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: The next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on March 5, 1997 hosted by Huntsman at the Ramada Inn of Port Arthur, 3801 Highway 73, Port Arthur, Texas. The April 2nd meeting will be hosted by Sun Marine Terminal, Inc.

The 575th meeting of the Sabine-Neches Chiefs Association was called to order by President Lynn Baldwin at 10:00 A.M. on March 5, 1997. The meeting was hosted by Huntsman and held at the Ramada Inn in Port Arthur, Texas.

The invocation was given by Fred Hoffman.

The group was welcomed by Mr. John Williams, of Huntsman.

- Self introductions were made.
- One new bill was introduced.
 - Schooner Restaurant \$187.38 for Board Of Directors Meeting
 - Motion by Rich Courville and 2nd by Brian Schmidt to pay.
 - Motion Carried
- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Business Items:

- President Baldwin presented the membership application for the Sour Lake Fire Department. It had been read twice before the membership and was recommended by the Board for acceptance into the organization. Motion was made by Rich Courville and 2nd by Larry O'Connor for approval. Motion carried.
- President Baldwin gave an update on the progress of the MCI Disaster Trailer title transfer
- President Baldwin led discussion on the addition of a membership criteria to the bylaws of the organization as developed by Harold Burleigh. First reading of the

proposed change was read by David Frenzel and comments were made. A copy of this proposed change will accompany the mail out of this month's minutes. Second reading will be held at next meeting.

-President Baldwin appointed John Williams of Huntsman to head a committee to investigate the possibilities of implementing a format that would make the organization's meetings more value added. The committee will be selected by John as to who he felt would be most beneficial and a report of the committee's findings would be reported to the Board of Directors.

Committee Reports:

- Communication

Chief Bertrand of Beaumont Fire Department introduced District Chief Jerry Lyons as new communications officer.

- Constitution & By-Laws

Vice President Schmidt reported that an update of the membership list will be distributed as soon as dues are paid and changes have been made.

- Training

Stella Baldwin of Lamar University announced that any award nominations for the Annual School should be turned in as soon as possible.

- Road Block

No Report

- Inventory/Organization

No Report

- Oil Spill

Lt. Clark of the Coast Guard announced that the Marine Firefighting drill held on the 27th of February was very successful. There will be a meeting on March 26th with all interested training officers concerning a drill at the Port of Beaumont. If interested, please contact Lt. Clark for more information.

- Nominating Committee

No Report

- Emergency Management/News Media

No Report

- Programs

Herb Conway announced that Ken Goody of TNRCC has been secured to present next month's program.

Recent Emergencies were discussed.

Special Announcements:

- Chief Bertrand of Beaumont Fire Department announced that the 28th Emergency Rescue School would be May 12-16, 1997. Brochures are available..
- Fred Hoffman announced upcoming schools and activities.
- Jim Stehle of Dupont -Beaumont announced upcoming training at the Beaumont Industrial Park. Brochures are available for anyone interested.

Program

- Rich Courville introduced Rick Miller of Pulse Tech Products, Inc., Irving, Texas who presented a program on the latest innovations in battery maintenance systems.

David Frenzel
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: The next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on April 2, 1997 hosted by Sun Marine Terminal at the Patrizi's Other Place, 2050 IH 10 in Beaumont, Texas. The May 7th meeting will be hosted by Mobil Chemical BCSP.

The 576th meeting of the Sabine-Neches Chiefs Association was called to order by President Lynn Baldwin at 10:00 A.M. on April 2, 1997. The meeting was hosted by Sun Marine Terminal and held at the Patrizi's in Beaumont, Texas.

The invocation was given by Fred Hoffman.

The group was welcomed by Mr. Mark Czerwic, of Sun Marine Terminal.

- Self introductions were made.
- Four new bills were introduced.
 - Execuforms (envelopes) \$99.00
 - David Frenzel (reimburse for postage) \$64.00
 - U.S. Postmaster (stamps) \$463.00
 - Orange County Tax Assessor-Collector (trailer title transfer) \$71.83
- Motion by Larry O'Connor and 2nd by Erskine Leysath to pay.
- Motion Carried
- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Business Items:

- President Baldwin gave an update on the progress of the MCI Disaster Trailer title transfer. It has been transferred back to the organization from Nederland and as soon as the title comes back from Austin, it will be transferred to Ameristat.
- President Baldwin led discussion on the addition of a membership criteria to the bylaws of the organization as developed by Harold Burleigh. The second reading of the proposed change was read by David Frenzel and comments were made. A

vote was called by President Lynn Baldwin on acceptance and the changes were accepted with unanimous approval.

Committee Reports:

- Communication
No Report.

- Constitution & By-Laws
No Report

- Training
Chief Morris Sandefer of the Beaumont Fire Department reminded everyone about the upcoming Annual School and asked that all registration be turned in as soon as possible.

- Road Block
No Report

- Inventory/Organization
Jeff Bolton asked that any changes in inventory be sent to him promptly so he could keep the association inventory manual up to date.

- Oil Spill
No Report

- Nominating Committee
No Report

- Emergency Management/News Media
Clay Kennelly of the DPS reminded each entity of the upcoming hurricane season and asked each to update their policy concerning operations during such emergencies.

- Programs
Herb Conway announced that a program has been secured to for the May meeting.

Recent Emergencies were discussed.

Special Announcements:

- Fred Hoffman announced upcoming schools and activities.
- President Lynn Baldwin discussed the upcoming shipboard fire fighting drill scheduled for May 22, 1997 at the Port of Beaumont and sponsored by the U. S. Coast Guard. All area entities are encouraged to take part and for more information, please contact Lt. Pat Clark of the USCG at 723-6509, extension 255.
- President Lynn Baldwin reminded all members, both regular and associate, that 1997 dues were on April 1st. A list of members with outstanding dues will accompany this month's minutes.

Program

- Mr Greg Goode of the TNRCC, Region 10 office presented a informational program on emergency response, notification requirements and reportable quantities for hazardous materials incidents. This presentation was followed by a brief program presented by Bob Fairchild of Verde Environmental concerning dispersents, surfactants and enzyme based materials that can be used in hazard materials clean up procedures.

David Frenzel
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: The next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on May 7, 1997 hosted by Mobil Chemical BCSP at the Holidome, 3950 IH-10 in Beaumont, Texas. The June 4th meeting will be hosted by Clark Refining.

SABINE NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

Outstanding Dues as of 4-8-97

(Regular)

Allied Chemical Corporation

China/West Jefferson Co. Emergency Services

Colonial Pipeline Company

PD Glycol/OxyChem

Millennium Petrochemical

Sun Marine Terminal

Huntsman

Bridge City Fire Department

Lumberton Fire Department

West Orange Fire Department

Groves Police Department

Bridge City Police Department

Jefferson Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Orange Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Pinehurst Police Department

Vidor Police Department

(Associate)

Webb, Murray & Associates

Chemical Waste Management

Motorola

Wright Rescue

Magnum Fire

If you have any questions, please contact David Frenzel at (409) 883-1050.

The 577th meeting of the Sabine-Neches Chiefs Association was called to order by President Lynn Baldwin at 10:00 A.M. on May 7, 1997. The meeting was hosted by Mobil Chemical BCSP and held at the Holidome in Beaumont, Texas.

The invocation was given by Fred Hoffman.

The group was welcomed by Mr. Joe Paige, of Mobil Chemical BCSP.

- Self introductions were made.
- No new bills were introduced.
- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Business Items:

- Correspondence
- AmeriStat furnished the organization a copy of the liability insurance policy that they have obtained for the MCI Disaster Trailer.
- The Internal Revenue Service requested information on the income of our organization for the tax year of 1993 as to whether or not we were to file a form 990. We are not required to file, but their request will be answered.
- President Baldwin read a letter of recommendation from Chief Mike Lovelady requesting the organization to consider LCM South as an associate member. This was the first reading of the request.

President Baldwin gave an update on the progress of the MCI Disaster Trailer title transfer. The title has been returned to us from Austin and we have signed all papers to have the title transferred to AmeriStat. Butch Holmes of AmeriStat agreed to send us a copy of the title transfer once it has been completed.

Committee Reports:

- Communication
No Report.
- Constitution & By-Laws
No Report
- Training
No Report
- Road Block
No Report
- Inventory/Organization
President Baldwin reminded all members that any changes in inventory should be sent to Jeff Bolton promptly so the association inventory manual can be updated.
- Oil Spill
Johnny Porter reported that the committee met last month and have scheduled another meeting at the end of this month.
- Nominating Committee
No Report
- Emergency Management/News Media
No Report
- Programs
Herb Conway announced that a program has been secured for the June meeting.

Recent Emergencies were discussed.

Special Announcements:

- Fred Hoffman announced upcoming schools and activities.
- John Burton of the USCG discussed the upcoming shipboard fire fighting drill scheduled for May 22, 1997 at the Port of Beaumont and sponsored by the U. S.

Coast Guard. Participants need to be ready to start at 8:00 AM. There will be two scenarios, one being in the morning and one in the afternoon. The day's activities should be complete by 5:00 PM. A head count of the approximate number of participants is needed as soon as possible. All area entities are encouraged to take part and for more information, please contact Lt. Pat Clark of the USCG at 723-6509, extension 255.

- President Lynn Baldwin explained that the USCG had requested that the SNCA provide the food for the noon meal for this drill. While he explained that we could not cater a lunch for all involved, they said that they had someone to cook the meal, that they just wanted the supplies for hamburgers and links provided. President Baldwin polled seven of the Board of Directors by telephone and received favorable comments from all. He asked for a motion from the floor for the association to provide this food and the motion was made by Tim Lene' and seconded by Charlie Watson. Motion carried.

- President Lynn Baldwin reminded all members, both regular and associate, that 1997 dues were due on April 1st. A list of members with outstanding dues will accompany this month's minutes.

Program

- Mr. Denis Mouton of Simplex presented a informational program on the Disability Act as it Relates to Fire Alarm Systems.

David Frenzel
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: The next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on June 4, 1997 hosted by Clark Refining at Esther's Restaurant, Highway 87 at the foot of the Rainbow Bridge in Port Arthur, Texas. The July 2nd meeting will be hosted by PD Glycol/Oxy-Chem.

SABINE NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

Outstanding Dues as of 5-12-97

(Regular)

Allied Chemical Corporation
PD Glycol/OxyChem
Huntsman
Orange County Sheriff's Department
China/West Jefferson County Emergency Services
Pinehurst Police Department
Vidor Police Department
Bridge City Police Department
Jefferson County Sheriff's Department
Bridge City Fire Department
Lumberton Fire Department
West Orange Fire Department
Groves Police Department

(Associate)

Chemical Waste Management
Wright Rescue

If you have any questions, please contact David Frenzel at (409) 883-1050.

The 578th meeting of the Sabine-Neches Chiefs Association was called to order by President Lynn Baldwin at 10:00 A.M. on June 4, 1997. The meeting was hosted by Clark Refining and held at Esther's Restaurant in Port Arthur, Texas.

The invocation was given by Fred Hoffman.

The group was welcomed by Mr. Rick Nicely, of Clark Refining.

- Self introductions were made.
- Three new bills were introduced for payment:
 - \$201.22 for food for USCG ship drill
 - \$ 95.00 for NFPA annual dues
 - \$240.00 to Edgar, Kiker & Cross, CPA for annual financial statementMotion was made by Mike Lovelady and seconded by Jim Stehle to pay bills. Motion carried.
- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Business Items:

- Correspondence
- AmeriStat furnished the organization a copy of the transfer of ownership of the MCI Disaster Trailer.
- Bruce Simpson, West Orange Police Chief, sent a letter to the organization announcing his retirement, effective September 30, 1997.
- President Baldwin read a letter of recommendation from Chief Mike Lovelady requesting the organization to consider LCM South as an associate member. This was the second reading of the request. The request will be considered at the next Board of Directors meeting.

Committee Reports:

- Communication
No Report.
- Constitution & By-Laws
Vice President Brian Schmidt reminded all members of any past due dues.
Please check with the Secretary if you are unsure if your dues have been paid for 1997.
- Training
No Report
- Road Block
No Report
- Inventory/Organization
No Report
- Oil Spill
No Report
- Nominating Committee
No Report
- Emergency Management/News Media
No Report
- Programs
Herb Conway announced that a program by Ron Elder of the ATF on Terrorism has been secured for the July meeting.

Recent Emergencies were discussed.

Special Announcements:

- Fred Hoffman announced upcoming schools and activities.
- President Lynn Baldwin discussed the shipboard fire fighting drill held by the USCG on May 22, 1997 at the Port of Beaumont and thanked all agencies that were involved but was disappointed with the turn-out of the SNCA members as a

whole. He hoped that more would be able to take part in such drills in the future.

- President Lynn Baldwin commented on the improvements made to the MCI Disaster trailer and expressed his appreciation to AmeriStat for taking over the responsibility of this important resource.
- Scott Kerwood announced the upcoming NFPA Conference in the Fall in Kansas City and explained that there are committee positions available if anyone is interested in applying.
- Mickey Bertrand and Bob Woods reported on the success of the Annual School, thanking everyone that made it possible and looking for increased enrollment next year.
- President Lynn Baldwin reminded all members, both regular and associate, that 1997 dues were due on April 1st.

Program

- Mr. Roger Erickson of the National Weather Service presented a informational program on the upcoming hurricane season.

David Frenzel
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: The next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on July 2, 1997 hosted by PD Glycol/Oxy-Chem at the Clifton Restaurant at the Clifton Steamboat Museum Complex on Fannett Road in Cheek, Texas. (A map to the restaurant is attached.) The August 6th meeting will be hosted by Beaumont Fire Department.

The 579th meeting of the Sabine-Neches Chiefs Association was called to order by President Lynn Baldwin at 10:00 A.M. on July 2, 1997. The meeting was hosted by P. D. Glycol and held at the Clifton Restaurant in Cheek, Texas.

The invocation was given by Fred Hoffman.

The group was welcomed by Mr. Mike Yoder, of P. D. Glycol.

- Self introductions were made.
 - One new bill was introduced for payment:
 - \$125.42 for Schooner Restaurant for Board of Directors Meeting
- Motion was made by Mike Lovelady and seconded by Jim Stehle to pay bills. Motion carried.
- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Business Items:

- Discussion was led by President Lynn Baldwin concerning the application for associate membership from LCM South. Due to current financial problems within the prospective members organization, Mike Lovelady withdrew his recommendation and through consensus the application was tabled until possible reconsideration at a later date.
- Membership was questioned by President Baldwin concerning action that should be taken for members that are delinquent in their dues. After some discussion, a motion was made by Harold Burleigh to publish the delinquent members names in the minutes once again in hopes that it had been an oversight on the part of the members. Duke Green seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- Communication

Vice President Brian Schmidt reported that the 800 radio supplied to Beaumont Fire will be out of service later this month due to re-programming procedures. President Lynn Baldwin questioned whether or not a new mutual aid channel for all agencies with 800 radio capabilities could be implemented and the Communication Committee agreed to look into the possibility.

- Constitution & By-Laws

No Report

- Training

No Report

- Road Block

No Report

- Inventory/Organization

President Baldwin advised all agencies to keep up with new equipment and make sure that it is added to the organizations inventory list in order to keep it current.

- Oil Spill

Becky Dementer reported that the U.S. Coast Guard is updating its oil spill response plan and will add you to the mailing list for the update if you request it. The next drill concerning spill will be scheduled sometime after the first of the year.

- Nominating Committee

No Report

- Emergency Management/News Media

No Report

- Programs

Herb Conway announced that a program by Herbie Bart of the Union Pacific Railroad has been secured for the August meeting.

Recent Emergencies were discussed.

Special Announcements:

- Fred Hoffman announced upcoming schools and activities.
- Scott Kerwood discussed the NFPA 1200 committee meeting.
- Morris Sandefer reported on the training ground infrastructure improvement at the field.
- John Herrington recommended that the executive Board establish a donations committee for the fire school.
- Ken Kreger announced that the Waterous Mobile Training Unit will be at the Orange Fire Department on Tuesday July 22, 1997 at 1:00 PM if any agency is interested in sending personnel.
- Morris Sandefer announced an upcoming Softball Tournament with proceeds to benefit Muscular Dystrophy. Fliers are available if interested.

Program

- Due to the unavailability of the scheduled speaker from ATF , the members of the organization were given a tour of the Clifton Steamboat Museum adjacent to the restaurant.

David Frenzel
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: The next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on August 6, 1997 hosted by Beaumont Fire Department at Don's Seafood & Steakhouse, 2290 IH 10 at Washington Boulevard in Beaumont, Texas. The September 3rd meeting will be hosted by Mobil Chemical Company - P.E.

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SABINE NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

Outstanding Dues as of 7-1-97

(Regular)

Allied Chemical Corporation
Bridge City Fire Department
Lumberton Fire Department
West Orange Fire Department
China/West Jefferson Co. Emergency Services
Groves Police Department
Bridge City Police Department
Jefferson Co. Sheriff's Department
Orange Co. Sheriff's Department
Pinehurst Police Department

(Associate)

Chemical Waste Management
Wright Rescue

If you have any questions, please contact David Frenzel at (409) 883-1050.

The 580th meeting of the Sabine-Neches Chiefs Association was called to order by President Lynn Baldwin at 10:00 A.M. on August 6, 1997. The meeting was hosted by Beaumont Fire Department and held at Don's Seafood in Beaumont, Texas.

The invocation was given by Fred Hoffman.

The group was welcomed by Chief Mickey Bertrand of the Beaumont Fire Department.

- Self introductions were made.
- One new bill was introduced for payment:
 - \$154.20 for Fred Hoffman for reimbursement of travel expenses

Motion was made by Mike Lovelady and seconded by Brian Schmidt to pay the bill. Motion carried.

- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Business Items:

- It was brought to the attention of the members that the Certificate of Deposit that the organization has in Community Bank in the amount of \$11,189.27 will mature on August 14th. The CD will automatically renew if not withdrawn. Brian Schmidt made the motion to leave the CD and let it renew and the motion was seconded by Mike Lovelady. The motion carried.
- Harold Burleigh discussed the "Industry's Helping Hands" cooperative effort that was established through House Bill 680 and will become effective on September 1, 1997. This program is a cooperative effort between industry, the Texas Forest Service and volunteer fire departments of the State of Texas.

- President Lynn Baldwin discussed problems with radio communications between different agencies at a recent incident. Brian Schmidt explained that the Communications Committee of the organization should be meeting within the month to formulate a procedure for the implementation of better mutual aid radio communications.

Committee Reports:

- Communications

Jerry Lyons reported that the 800 radio supplied to Beaumont Fire has been re-programmed and is back in service. He also echoed the concern of the current mutual aid radio communications problem and felt that it should be addressed.

- Constitution & By-Laws

Brian Schmidt reminded members with delinquent dues to try and take care of this obligation as soon as possible.

- Training

No Report

- Road Block

No Report

- Inventory/Organization

Jeff Bolton reminded all members that when they send in information for the inventory, they should only list the equipment that they could send in case of an emergency.

- Oil Spill

No Report

- Nominating Committee

No Report

- Emergency Management/News Media

No Report

- Programs

Herb Conway announced that programs have been booked for meetings through the end of this year. If you have information about a program for the organization, please contact Herb at (409) 276-3222 at Temple Eastex.

Recent Emergencies were discussed.

Special Announcements:

- Fred Hoffman announced upcoming schools and activities.

Program

- Due to the unavailability of the scheduled speaker from Union Pacific , Clay Kennelly, RLO of the DPS led an informative discussion of the recent explosion and fire at the Tejas Pipeline in Devers, Texas.

David Frenzel
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: The next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on September 3, 1997 hosted by Mobil Chemical Company P.E. at the Clifton Restaurant in the Clifton Steamboat Museum Complex on Fannett Road in Cheek, Texas. The October 1st meeting will be hosted by the LaBelle-Fannett Fire Department.

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SABINE NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

Outstanding Dues as of 8-1-97

(Regular)

Allied Chemical Corporation
Lumberton Fire Department
Groves Police Department
Bridge City Police Department
Jefferson Co. Sheriff's Department
Pinehurst Police Department

(Associate)

Chemical Waste Management
Wright Rescue

If you have any questions, please contact David Frenzel at (409) 883-1050.

The 581st meeting of the Sabine-Neches Chiefs Association was called to order by President Lynn Baldwin at 10:00 A.M. on September 3, 1997. The meeting was hosted by Mobil Chemical P.E. and held at the Clifton Restaurant in Cheek, Texas.

The invocation was given by Bobby Lane.

The group was welcomed by Mr. Metric Lee and Mr. Rich LeClair, of Mobil Chemical P.E.

- Self introductions were made.
- No new bills were introduced for payment.
- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Business Items:

- Bobby Lane announced his resignation with National Draeger and since his new line of work will not be in fire safety he will no longer be active in the association. He expressed his appreciation to everyone in the association that he has worked with over the years and looks forward to possibly working with them again in the future.
- An item for discussion was introduced by Chief Mickey Bertrand of Beaumont Fire Department concerning out-of-area response for non-members that are requested by members of the association. Discussion was opened to the entire organization by President Lynn Baldwin. While no agreement was reached on how these situations should be handled, there was a consensus that the Board of Directors should discuss this matter further and bring some type of recommendations before the association for comments and adoption of new guidelines.

- President Baldwin presented a request from Bob Townsend of Bayer, Inc. who is looking to borrow a smoke generator from any member of the organization. Ezra Gordon of Lamar University said that they had a smoke generator that they could make available to Bayer for their drill.
- President Baldwin was advised by a member of the Sour Lake Fire Department that Texaco was to conduct a meeting with the Sour Lake Fire Department on Monday, September 8, 1997 at 6:00 PM if Star Enterprises was interested in attending.

Committee Reports

- Communication

Vice President Brian Schmidt reported that the Communications Committee of the SNCA will meet at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, September 10, 1997 at Headquarters of the Beaumont Fire Department to discuss the mutual aid communications problems. Members of the Communications Committee include Jerry Lyons, Ken Doise, Pat Grimes, Steve Curran and David Frenzel.

- Constitution & By-Laws

Brian Schmidt reminded all members that dues are past due and should be taken care of promptly.

- Training

Richard Casco advised the group of upcoming schools and classes to be given by Lamar University at the Beaumont Training Grounds.

- Road Block

No Report

- Inventory/Organization

No Report

- Oil Spill

No Report

- Nominating Committee

No Report

- Emergency Management/News Media
No Report

- Programs

Herb Conway announced that a programs have been booked through February of next year. If you have any ideas for programs, please contact Herb.

Recent Emergencies were discussed.

Special Announcements:

- Johnny Porter announced upcoming schools and activities.
- Richard Casco reminded everyone of the East Texas Fire School to be held at the Fire Field on September 13th and 14th.

Program

- Keith Neal with Ralph Stockton Valve Products, Inc. and Tony Fugate of PMEI Fire Protection Systems presented an informative program on new innovations in fire protective jackets for valves, actuators, pipelines and cable trays.

David Frenzel
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: The next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on October 1, 1997 hosted by LaBelle-Fannett Fire Department at the Wingfoot Club behind Goodyear Chemical. (Coming from Beaumont on IH-10, take the Smith Road exit and go south to Hwy 124. Turn right and head west on Hwy. 124 until you come to the Club.) The November 5th meeting will be hosted by Lumberton Fire Department.

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SABINE NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

Outstanding Dues as of 9-1-97

(Regular)

Allied Chemical Corporation
Groves Police Department
Bridge City Police Department
Jefferson Co. Sheriff's Department
Pinehurst Police Department

(Associate)

Chemical Waste Management
Wright Rescue

If you have any questions, please contact David Frenzel at (409) 883-1039.

The 582nd meeting of the Sabine-Neches Chiefs Association was called to order by President Lynn Baldwin at 10:00 A.M. on October 1, 1997. The meeting was hosted by LaBelle-Fannett Fire Department and held at the Wingfoot Club in Cheek, Texas.

The invocation was given by Walter Nebgen.

The group was welcomed by Mr. Cecil Peltier of LaBelle-Fannett Fire Department.

- Self introductions were made.
- Two new bills were introduced for payment.
 - Artercraft Printing for \$112.00
 - Schooner Restaurant for \$171.89
 - Motion to pay bills was made by Brian Schmidt and seconded by Mike Lovelady. Motion carried.
- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Business Items:

- A letter from Stephen Wright requesting the resignation of the associate membership of Wright Rescue was read and accepted.
- A letter from Ken Cavaretta of Gulf Coast Control Systems Corporation requesting an associate membership in the organization was read to the membership. This was the first of two readings.
- The minutes of the third quarter Board of Directors meeting for the association that was held at the Schooner Restaurant on September 9, 1997 were read and approved.
- Bosses Night is Monday, December 1, 1997 at the BRAD Club. Please sign the purple roster and give us an idea of how many you expect to attend.

Committee Reports

- Communication

Vice President Brian Schmidt reported that the Communications Committee of the SNCA will meet at 10:00 AM on Thursday, October 16, 1997 at Central Station of the Orange Fire Department to further analyze the mutual aid communications problems. He explained that in the last two meetings of this committee, long range and short range guidelines had been developed in an effort to alleviate some of the current problems with mutual aid communication. The committee will make a formal recommendation to the President upon completion of the study.

- Constitution & By-Laws

Vice President Brian Schmidt reported on the update of the by-laws manual for the organization and realignment of several committees.

-Training/Annual School

Richard Casco advised the group of upcoming schools and classes to be given by Lamar University at the Beaumont Training Grounds. John Hubacek announced some upcoming changes to the Annual School that would shorten it to four days yet make it more progressive. A new Industrial Fire Team Leader 40-hour class is planned as well as the upgrade and combination of some classes. Jeff McNeil of the Beaumont Fire Department announced that he would be replacing Morris Sandefer as Training Officer of the BFD. Chief Sandefer retired from the Department to accept the appointment to State Fire Pension Commissioner.

- Road Block

Clay Kennelley led a discussion about the current roadblock section of the manual and recommended that it be updated or removed from the manual. Mike Lovelady made the motion to remove the section from the manual and it was seconded by Steve Curran. Motion carried.

- Inventory/Organization

No Report

- Oil Spill

No Report

- Nominating Committee
No Report

- Emergency Management
No Report

- Programs
Herb Conway announced that programs have been booked through the end of the year. If you have any ideas for programs, please contact Herb.

Recent Emergencies were discussed.

Special Announcements:

- Louis Miller announced an upcoming emergency driving school at the Port Arthur Fire Department Station #1 on October 23rd from 8:00AM to Noon.
- Steve Stokley announced that he had some opening in an upcoming EMS class at Lamar and that there would be a Fire Inspector class at the Training Ground November 10th thru December 11th. He also advised that the Academy would be receiving a surplus Pumper from Texas A & M and that he needed equipment to be donated to outfit it. If you have any such equipment, please contact Steve at the Fire Field.

Program

- David White of *Industrial Fire World* magazine presented an informative program on new NFPA requirements for fire fighting protective clothing. Paul Hannemann of the Texas Forest Service gave an informational presentation on the new "Helping Hands" donation program as well as other donation, training and insurance programs that are handled through the State.

David Frenzel
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: The next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on November 5, 1997 hosted by Lumberton Fire Department at the Catfish Cabin on Highway 69 in Lumberton. The December 3rd meeting will be hosted by Orange Fire Department.

SABINE NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

Outstanding Dues as of 10-1-97

(Regular)

Allied Chemical Corporation
Groves Police Department
Jefferson Co. Sheriff's Department
Pinehurst Police Department

(Associate)

Chemical Waste Management

If you have any questions, please contact David Frenzel at (409) 883-1039.

The 583rd meeting of the Sabine-Neches Chiefs Association was called to order by President Lynn Baldwin at 10:10 A.M. on November 5, 1997. The meeting was hosted by Lumberton Fire Department and held at the Catfish Cabin in Lumberton, Texas.

The invocation was given by John Hubacek.

The group was welcomed by Mr. Bob Woods of Lumberton Fire Department.

- Self introductions were made.
- Two new bills were introduced for payment.
 - U.S. Postmaster for \$480.00
 - Presenta-Plaque for \$177.18
 - Motion to pay bills was made by Rich Courville and seconded by Herb Conway. Motion carried.
- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Business Items:

- A letter from Nick Davis informing the Association of his retirement from the Orange Police Department was read and accepted.
- A letter from S.D. Strickland informing the Association of his retirement from Unocal was read and accepted.
- A letter from Ken Cavaretta of Gulf Coast Control Systems Corporation requesting an associate membership in the organization was read to the membership. This was the second of two readings. The application will be voted on at the next Board of Directors meeting.
- Ray Chesson announced that the presentation about the Level II Trauma Center being established in Beaumont would be scheduled for a later date.

- Harold Burleigh led a discussion concerning the current NFPA standards for personal protective equipment required for flammable liquids and gases in industry. A survey was distributed to each attending entity in an effort to help convey the thoughts of our membership. David White reinforced the importance of the survey in an effort to help change the language of the standard.
- Scott Kerwood added that NFPA is looking for representatives to serve on committees that represent a group, such as our Association, versus individual entities.
- Mike Lovelady recommended that the SNCA pay the expenses to have one of our members serve on a committee to represent the Association. A motion was made by Scott Kerwood and seconded by Herb Conway for the Association pay expenses for an individual to serve on an NFPA committee, if the management of the individual will allow the time off to serve, with the Board of Directors of the SNCA setting the guidelines on spending. Motion carried.
- John Hardy of National Draeger announced that their confined space training trailer would be available in this area throughout the winter. If you are interested in using it, please contact John Hardy or Paul Bertsch.
- Bosses Night is Monday, December 1, 1997 at the BRAD Club. Please sign the purple roster and give us an idea of how many you expect to attend.

Committee Reports

- Communication

Steve Jones reported that the Communications Committee had met and outlined short range and long range plans for mutual aid communications. Short range plans call for a cross patch box to be installed in several mobile vehicles. A recommendation to purchase the appropriate 800 mghtz radio to be placed in Clay Kennelly's car for this cross patch capability was made. A motion for the Association to purchase this radio for the RLO with an anticipated cost of up to \$2500.00 was made by Ken Doise and seconded by Kenneth Browning. Motion carried.

- Constitution & By-Laws

No Report

-Training/Annual School

John Hubacek announced some upcoming changes to the Annual School and the introduction of the new Industrial Fire Team Leader 40-hour class that is planned.

- Inventory/Organization
No Report
- Oil Spill
No Report
- Nominating Committee
No Report
- Emergency Management
Clay Kennelly announced a meeting for Monday, November 10th at 10:00 AM at the Jefferson County Airport where the National Weather Service representatives will discuss the El Nino Phenomenon.
- Programs
Herb Conway announced that programs have been booked through April of next year.

No Recent Emergencies were discussed.

Special Announcements

None

Program

- George Barnes of the ATF presented an informative program on the assistance available to local agencies through the ATF.

David Frenzel
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: The next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on December 3, 1997 hosted by Orange Fire Department at the Sunset Grove County Club in Orange. (A map is attached.) The January 7th meeting will be hosted by Mobile Chemical Co. - O/A.

The 584th meeting of the Sabine-Neches Chiefs Association was called to order by President Lynn Baldwin at 10:00 A.M. on December 3, 1997. The meeting was hosted by Orange Fire Department and held at the Sunset Grove Country Club in Orange, Texas.

The invocation was given by John Herrington.

The group was welcomed by Mr. Chuck Pinto, City Manager of the City of Orange.

- Self introductions were made.
- Five new bills were introduced for payment.
 - Schooner Restaurant for \$255.40
 - Barbara's Industrial Engraving for \$118.05
 - Mouton Catering for \$2562.50
 - Rick's Liquor for \$319.67
 - Fred Hoffman for \$154.20Motion to pay bills was made by Brian Schmidt and seconded by Herb Conway. Motion carried.
- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Business Items:

- Gulf Coast Control Systems Corporation's request for an associate membership in the organization was approved and recommended by the Board of Directors. The entire membership voted to approve the application.
- The election to fill the vacant positions on the Board of Directors was held and the following positions were filled: Industrial Representative - Herb Conway; Municipal Fire Representative - Scott Kerwood; Law Enforcement Representative - Kenneth Browning.

- A discussion was led by President Lynn Baldwin to establish a committee for the set-up of the Bosses Night . Jim Stehle was named to chair this committee and anyone interested in serving is asked to contact Jim.

Committee Reports

- Communication
Brian Schmidt reported that the next committee meeting would be scheduled after the first of the year.
- Constitution & By-Laws
Brian Schmidt asked each member to review the current manual to see that their organization's information is correct before a new organizational chart is printed.
- Training/Annual School
No Report
- Inventory/Organization
No Report
- Oil Spill
No Report
- Nominating Committee
No Report
- Emergency Management
Clay Kennelly commented on recent weather events that had effected the area.
- Programs
Herb Conway announced that programs have been booked through April of next year.

No Recent Emergencies were discussed.

Special Announcements

- Fred Hoffman announced upcoming schools and activities.
- David Frenzel reminded the members that the newly formed Arson Work/Study group would have their next meeting on Thursday, December 4th at 9:00 AM at the Vidor Fire Department.
- Harold Burleigh gave an update on the NFPA 1976 committee proposals.
- Steve Curran gave an update on the preemption system that is being formulated for the area and asked for the support of the organization in the coordination of this regional effort.

Program

- John Taylor and Mike Owens of Dialogical Communications Corporation presented an informative program on computerized communications and notifications systems.

David Frenzel
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: The next meeting will be at 10:00 AM on January 7, 1998 hosted by Mobil Chemical Co. O/A at the Holiday Inn at IH-10 and Walden Road in Beaumont, Texas. The February 4th meeting will be hosted by Olin Chemical Corporation.