

City of Corpus Christi / Nueces County
Local Emergency Planning Committee - LEPC
March 7, 2017
Fire Department Training Facility

Chad Fuller	Josh Rungee	Phillip Wood
Andy Hoel	Damon Golis	Thomas Martinek
Victor Cano	Chris Garcia	Mary Cole
Alfonso Trevino, Jr.	Nell Jones	Gary Mann
Ricardo Lopez, Jr.	Bobby Canales	David Cave
Rick Ramos	Beatriz Rivera	Natalie Rojas
Jennifer Vyvlecka	Joe Miller	Chris Nelson
Robert Rocha	Charles Troglen	Michael Clack
Jason Burnell	Richie Quintero	Sharon B. Lewis
Billy Delgado	Martha Valderama	Joanne Salge
John Miller	Roger Smith	

I. Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions: Chief Robert Rocha called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m. Chief Rocha asked everyone to introduce themselves and affiliation.

II. Acceptance of Minutes: The January 3, 2017 minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Ricardo Lopez, with a second by David Cave, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

III. New Business/Old Business: Chief Rocha pointed out the packet for the meeting included the schedule of meetings for the year as well as the 2016 Annual Report. He encouraged everyone to share the Annual Report with their companies so they will know what the LEPC is doing. The report will be included on the LEPC website.

IV. Upcoming Training in the Community/Conferences: Chief Rocha announced NIMS 400 course on March 8-9 in the Emergency Operation Center. Other training included March 20, Paradigm Pipeline Seminar at the Ortiz Center; May 3- 4, the Coastal Bend Hurricane Conference at the RM Borchard Regional Fairgrounds in Robstown. Additional opportunities can be found at www.coastalbendcan.org and www.preparingtexas.org.

V. Coordinator's Report: Joanne Salge reported the LEPC continues to be active in several community councils and industry advisory groups. Brochures and other printed materials were distributed at an IceRays game recently. Shelter in Place kit distribution is complete in Robstown and follow up staff presentations have also been completed at several schools receiving kits. Review and revision continues on the Crisis Management Dispatch (CMD) Manual and the Standard Messages will be reviewed at a later date. Joanne Salge recently toured the Port of Corpus Christi and Chief Rocha, Chief Erben and Joanne toured Gatefront's facility.

VI. Subcommittee Reports:

1. Finance Subcommittee: Rick Ramos presented the appropriation expenditure report for the LEPC, the Industry Education Fund expenditures, and the Reverse Alert System expenditures. At this time, 32.42% of the budget has been expended, 8.58% of the Industry Education fund has been expended and 100% of the Reverse Alert fund has

been expended. He also reported that Tier II contributions are on target. David Cave moved to accept the reports as presented, Sharon Lewis second. Motion carried.

2. Risk Awareness Subcommittee: Sharon Lewis asked Billy Delgado to give a report on the Reverse Alert System. He explained how the system works and how to sign up for alerts. Currently, 10,245 citizens have signed up to receive alerts. Sharon reported that over 600 Shelter in Place Kits have been distributed to schools with funds provided by the Industry Education Awareness Communication Committee (IEACC). Also, the LEPC Shelter in Place video and brochure are being revised. She asked LEPC coordinator Joanne Salge to report on the status of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) grants. Joanne said \$92,600 has been awarded to the LEPC to fund three projects. The LEPC is waiting on a contract to begin work on the three funded projects.
3. Pipeline Damage Prevention Subcommittee: Roger Smith reported that April is Safe Digging Month and the City Council and the County Commissioners will declare it as such in Corpus Christi and Nueces County. In addition, 96,000 pipeline safety brochures have been mailed with the City utility bills and Nueces County has mailed 2,500 brochures. He reminded everyone to save October 12 for the Safe Digging Seminar.
4. Emergency Response and Communications Subcommittee: Chris Garcia reported that site visits continue. Chris stated it is very beneficial to have first responders visit facilities to become familiar with the location. The visits need to be scheduled for 3 days so all shifts may participate. These visits can be coordinated with Chief Erben or with Joanne Salge. Chief Garcia reminded everyone that facility Tier II reports are due on March 1.

VII. Presentation: LT. Kathryn Peek, Incident Management Division, United States Coast Guard presented a program on the role of the Coast Guard regarding the environment. She stated the main role of the Coast Guard is vessel inspection, facility regulation, and pollution (all hazards) response. The Corpus Christi Coast Guard covers an area from Hwy 59/77 out 200 nautical miles and from the Colorado Locks to the Texas Mexico border.

VIII. Public Comment/Announcements: Chief Rocha announced that KLUX radio fundraiser going on and that some of the fire department personnel and LEPC would be answering the phones.

IX. Motion to Adjourn: David Cave made the motion to adjourn the meeting, with a second by Ricardo Lopez. Meeting was adjourned at 11:34 a.m.



Robert Rocha, LEPC Chairperson