

City of Corpus Christi - Nueces County
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
July 5, 2016
Fire Department Training Facility

David Cave	Marty Wind	Nell Jones
Chris Garcia	Gilbert Gonzalez	Theresa Finch
Chayne Sparagowski	Allen Hatcher	Luci Rios
Veronica Alaniz	Robert Rocha	Henry Gonzales
Leah Heher	Bill Chidester	Carlos Garcia
Travis Matthews	Danielle Hale	R.S. Rocha
Travis Jenkins	Charlie Gaylor	Kenneth Erben
Roger Smith	Josh Rungee	Darcy Schroeder
Joe Miller	Kelly White	James Duener
Mary Cole	Billy Delgado	Richie Quintero
Randy Paige	Joanne Salge	

I. Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions: Chief Robert Rocha called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. He announced the death of Sandy Ramsey, long-time member of the LEPC and volunteer. He asked for donations to help with final expenses. Chief Rocha also thanked everyone for the work they do with the LEPC. He attended the Region 6 EPA/LEPC workshop and it was encouraging to hear from others how great the City of Corpus Christi- Nueces County LEPC is doing. Those attending introduced themselves and affiliation.

II. Acceptance of the Minutes: The May 3, 2016 minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Rick Ramos, with second by David Cave, to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

III. New Business/Old Business: Chief Rocha presented the slate of officers for the proposed 2016 - 2018 Executive Committee. The slate consists of Robert Rocha, LEPC chairperson; Nelda Martinez, Corpus Christi Mayor; Loyd Neal, Nueces County Judge; Rick Ramos, Finance Subcommittee chairperson; Danielle Hale, Finance Subcommittee vice chairperson; Raul Vasquez, Risk Awareness Subcommittee chairperson; Sharon Bailey Lewis, Risk Awareness Subcommittee vice chairperson; Chris Garcia, Emergency Response and Communication Subcommittee chairperson; Joseph Cantu, Emergency Response and Communications vice chairperson; Roger Smith, Pipeline and Damage Prevention Subcommittee chairperson; and Brianna Lohse, Pipeline and Damage Prevention Subcommittee vice chairperson. Billy Delgado, moved that the proposed executive committee slate be approved. David Cave seconded the motion. It was approved. Chief Rocha noted that he has asked Billy Delgado, City Emergency Management coordinator, and Danielle Hale, Nueces County Emergency Management coordinator, to serve on the executive committee; and Rick Ramos to serve as secretary/treasurer.

IV. Upcoming Training in the Community/Conferences: Several classes will be held locally. In Sinton, ICS training will be held in July. On July 13-15 ICS 300 will be held in the City's EOC and ICS 400 will be held July 21-22. Go to www.preparingtexas.org or www.coastalbendcan.org to register for classes.

V. Coordinator's Report: Joanne Salge reported the LEPC participated safety fairs at Celanese and also at Flint Hills Resources. Several local advisory groups have also been attended. Shelter in place information has been made available to child care providers and presentations to City Hall employees. The LEPC also participated in a hurricane planning event in Robstown. The Region 6 EPA/LEPC Workshop was held on June 28 in Victoria with several attending from our LEPC. The web page is fully operational and please send suggestions and ideas to Joanne. Chief Quintero attended a recent IEACC meeting representing the LEPC.

VI. Subcommittee Reports:

1. Finance Subcommittee: Rick Ramos presented the appropriation expenditure report for the nine months ending June 30, 2016. To date, 66.49% of the budget is expended. Mr. Ramos said the budget is right on target. He asked Joanne Salge to give the report on contributions. She said contributions to date amount to \$120,550, including funds from Tier II facilities, goodwill donations, sponsorships for the Safe Digging Seminar, and industry donations for meeting meals. She noted that contributions are up from previous years. Motion to accept the financial report was made by Marty Wind with second by David Cave. Motion passed.
2. Risk Awareness Subcommittee: Billy Delgado reported that 9,170 people are currently registered with Reverse Alert. Promotion of the service continues. Danielle Hale noted that Reverse Alert is being promoted on the marquee at the fairgrounds in Robstown and last week at the community fair held in Robstown. Reporting on the current IEACC funded projects, Billy, said that the activity book is now at the printer; the media spots are airing but nearing completion; and that materials for 500 shelter in place kits are ready for distribution to the schools. The IEACC has approved the next round of funding for an additional 500 shelter in place kits, a new video, and promotional items. The next meeting will be held on August 25, 2016.
3. Pipeline Damage Prevention Subcommittee: Roger Smith, chairperson, reported that planning is underway for the next Safe Digging Seminar on Oct. 13 at the Regional Fairgrounds. He also reported that the pipeline amendment is under review. The subcommittee's next meeting will be September 6, 2016.
4. Emergency Response Subcommittee: Chris Garcia reported industry site visits for emergency responders continue. These visits should be schedule for three days so all shifts can participate. A full scale drill is to be held at CITGO East on September 14, 2016. Mr. Garcia asked facilities to provide any updates and changes to CCFD and to the LEPC. The committee continues to meet goals by providing information at LEPC meetings and sharing training opportunities. The 2016 Emergency Response Guides are available and provided by the Coastal Bend Council of Governments. Chief Rocha, Chief Erben and Joanne Salge will continue to make facility site visits. Next meeting is July 27, 2016 at the Refinery Terminal Fire Company.

VII. Presentation: Marty Wind, General Manager of the KLUX (89.5 FM) Radio presented a program on the history of KLUX and LEPC Emergency Notification System. The original idea was to provide emergency alerts to the community when there was an incident at industrial sites along the I-37 corridor. In 1996 620AM began operation but it was low power and didn't work very well. In 1998 KLUX was contacted by the LEPC Blueprint Committee for the system now in place. A letter of intent was signed in 1999 between KLUX, the City of Corpus Christi, and Nueces County. From 1999 to 2000 the system was worked out with well-defined protocols for 24/7 access to the station by emergency responders. KLUX is one of two HD stations in Corpus Christi. It will replace its transmitter this month to increase its digital power which means reception to a broader area. Mr. Wind said the increased digital power will mean new options. Among the new options will be securing control of road alert signage.

VIII. Public Comment/Announcements: Charlie Gaylor, City/County Health Department, announced an Open House on August 12, 2016 at the Health Department. Chief Rocha suggested that Mr. Gaylor do a presentation to the LEPC on the Point of Distribution Program.

IX. Motion to Adjourn: Roger Smith made a motion to adjourn with a second by Rick Ramos. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m. The next LEPC General meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2016.



Robert Rocha, LEPC Chairperson