

City of Corpus Christi / Nueces County
Local Emergency Planning Committee - LEPC
July 7, 2015
Fire Department Training Facility

Chief Robert Rocha
Chris Garcia
Sandy Ramsey
Scott Nelson
Mari Munoz
Arturo Lopez
Marty Wind
Randy Paige
Danielle Hale
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Mary Cole

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John Pasch
Allen Hatcher
Rick Ramos
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Sara Callender
Rosie Rocha
Joseph Cantu
Brianna Lohse
Carla Gardiner
Johnny Gonzales
Carolyn Ross

David Cave
Nell Jones
Brian Zampini
Theresa Finch
Gilbert Gonzalez
Philip Woods
Rixio Medina
Roger Smith
Billy Delgado
Jeff Pollack
Jeff Garcia

1. Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions:

Chief Robert Rocha called the meeting to order at 10:34 a.m. Chief Rocha asked that everyone introduce themselves as there new attendees.

2. Acceptance of Minutes (May 5, 2015): The May 5, 2015 minutes were reviewed.

A motion was made by Billy Delgado seconded by Rick Ramos to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

3. New Business/Old Business: None

4. Upcoming Training in the Community/Conferences:

Information on local training opportunities may be viewed at www.coastalbendcan.com.

Billy Delgado reported on the upcoming NIMS 300/400 courses. Chief Rocha said that is anyone was interested in attending the fire department can help them enroll. Billy Delgado also announced that a mass facilities exercise will be held Friday, July 10. Mr. Delgado also announced HURREVAC training on July 29th in the Emergency Operations Center. Chief Rocha encouraged industry to consider prophylactic mass immunizations exercises as it may be necessary one day.

5. Coordinator's Report:

Joanne Salge reported on the following:

Outreach: Participated in the Celanese and Flint Hills Resources safety fairs; presentations at First United Methodist Church school; New Neighbor League; Oak Park Recreation Center; community advisory councils; city hall presentations ; have provided replacement shelter in place safety kits for Calallen ISD. **Upcoming:** Preparing to send contribution letters to Tier II industry partners.

6. Sub Committee Reports:

1. **Finance Sub-Committee:** Rick Ramos reported the Finance Sub-Committee met on July 6, 2015. The financial report was distributed and reviewed. Mr. Ramos said expenditures are on track with the budget. Danielle Hale motioned to accept the financial report. It was accepted. Mr. Ramos then presented the proposed LEPC budget for 2015-2016 in the amount of \$117,475.02.

Mr. Ramos explained that the proposed budget is less than the current budget because of the amount for the ASG Risk Assessment study in the current budget. Danielle Hale moved to accept the proposed budget and seconded by Randy Paige. The proposed budget was accepted.

2. Risk Awareness Sub-Committee: Scott Nelson reported that the sub-committee will meet Friday, July 10. According to Billy Delgado, ReverseAlert registrations increased by over 1500 from the beginning of May to the beginning of July. Mr. Delgado attributed this to the storms that hit the area. He distributed a copy of a news article by Caller Times' Nick Jimenez promoting ReverseAlert. Mr. Delgado announced that Channel 3 TV will also promote ReverseAlert and will do an interview that afternoon. Joanne Salge reported that the sub-committee will discuss Industry Education Awareness Communication Committee (IEACC) support, known previously as Blueprint funds, at Friday's meeting. IEACC funds are provided by industry for outreach and education. Joanne explained that currently the IEACC sponsors are reorganizing and instead of providing a lump sum they will be looking at projects and programs. These projects and programs will be developed by the sub-committees to meet their goals.
3. Pipeline Damage Prevention Sub-committee: Roger Smith reported that the Safe Digging Seminar will be held Oct. 22, 2015 in Robstown. They will be reaching out to the surrounding counties for participation.
4. Emergency Response Committee: Randy Paige reported that bad weather necessitated the rescheduling the full scale drill at Flint Hills Resources to August 26. Chief Paige announced that the process is underway to have all fire departments in the county sign a mutual aid agreement. Chief Paige reminded everyone that the goal of notification messages is to do it within 30 minutes of the incident and to use both ReverseAlert and the InfoLine. Joanne Salge reported on the risk assessment study. Joanne said the first phase was general and included demographics, resources, etc. The second phase was to identify the top 20 industrial sites considering the materials and the inventory on hand. The third phase is the summary and wrap up which will result in a public document. The study is expected to be completed in early September. The next meeting of the subcommittee is July 29. A location/sponsor the meeting is being sought.
7. Presentation: Jeff Pollack, Corpus Christi Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) informed the group of the inquiry for a Non-Radioactive Hazardous Materials (NRHM) Routing Process. The objective would be to divert through traffic carrying NRHM away from the new Harbor Bridge through the Joe Fulton Corridor. Corpus Christi would do this on a voluntary basis since it does not have the population required to make it mandatory (850,000). A summary of findings and recommendations is expected in August.

8. **Public Comment/Announcements:** Danielle Hale announced that FEMA programs are available for those who sustained damage as a result of storms and flooding in the area. Danielle said 830 have registered for assistance and the deadline is July 29th. David Cave encouraged seeking industry partners, neighbors, professionals, and others to attend the sub-committee meetings.
9. **Motion to Adjourn:** Chris Garcia motioned to adjourn at 11:22a.m. Motion carried. The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 1, 2015.



Robert Rocha, LEPC Chairperson