

City of Corpus Christi / Nueces County
Local Emergency Planning Committee - LEPC
Nov. 3, 2015
Fire Department Training Facility

Pamela Perez	Joanne Salge	David Cave
Brianna Lohse	Nell Jones	Brandi Fisher
Chris Garcia	Pat Outtrim	Philip Woods
Sandy Ramsey	Danielle Hale	Ashley Vryheid
Sheila Grove	Nancy Cisneros	Will Nichols
Christopher Boyce	Allen Hatcher	Rick Ramos
Chayne Sparagowski	Johnny Gonzales	Marg Paton
Roger Smith	Leah Heher	Carla Gardiner
Larry Webb	Callen Hight	Amanda Torres
Roger Bennett	Billy Delgado	Jaime Medina
John Pasch	Lynn Pearce	Joseph Cantu
Mary Cole	Roy Coons	Sharon Bailey Lewis
Darcy Schroeder	Charles Gaylor	Tony Alejandro
Sgt. Pete Hinojosa	Capt. Danny Lorberau	Kirby Warnke

- I. Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions:
David Cave, LEPC Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. in the absence of Chief Rocha. He welcomed everyone and asked that everyone introduce themselves.
- II. The Sept. 1, 2015 minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Billy Delgado to approve the minutes as presented, a second by Kirby Warnke. Motion passed.
- III. New Business/Old Business: Pat Outtrim, Vice President, Government and Regulatory Affairs, Cheniere Energy, Inc., spoke about Cheniere, Corpus Christi Liquifaction. She addressed safety measures of the LNG plant which is under construction. She said it would be fully operational in 2019 at which time it will provide 400 permanent jobs. Tanks at the plant will feature a double containment systems and ships will be double hull ships with four dedicated tugs with firefighting capacity. Refinery Terminal Fire Company (RTFC) will be on site once the plant is operational.
- IV. Upcoming Training in the Community and Conferences: Danielle Hale announced that a Critical Supply Chain Resilience Workshop – Oil and Gas class will be held on November 4 at the Ortiz Center. Registration is open and there is no cost. Registration is found at www.preparingtexas.org. Charles Gaylor announced an exercise on January 26, 2016 on chemical exposure and chemical releases. Registration with FEMA is a pre-requisite for participating in this exercise.
- V. Coordinator's Report: Joanne Salge reported participation with the Corpus Christi Community Advisory Committee, Lyondell Advisory Group, Celanese Advisory, Long Term Health Group. A community tabletop drill was conducted on October 10 at Miller High School along with the CCCAC, CCFD, CCPD, and Refinery Terminal Fire Company. One hundred nine residents and volunteers attended the event. The LEPC Pipeline Subcommittee hosted a Safe Digging Seminar on October 22 at the Richard Borchard Regional Fairgrounds.

Joanne is working with the City's Public Information Office to create a video focused on how to shelter-in-place and the City's TV station has been airing the LEPC spots. Joanne thanked KLUX for promoting the LEPC and Reverse Alert Notification System. Tier II reminders will be going out to industry soon. The first invoice went out in the summer to 431 entities.

VI. Subcommittee Reports:

1. **Finance Subcommittee:** Rick Ramos presented the appropriation expenditure report for the 12 months ending September 30, 2015. He noted 92% of the funds were expended. He also presented the appropriation expenditure report for the one month ending October 31. Mr. Ramos asked that the two reports be accepted. Billy Delgado moved that the two reports be accepted and Kirby Warnke, second. Motion passed. The Finance Subcommittee will meet next on January 4, 2016.
2. **Risk Awareness Subcommittee:** Billy Delgado reported Reverse Alert notification system registration increased by 600 to 8,249. He said the increase was due to weather events. He noted that a presentation on Reverse Alert was made at the Safe Digging Seminar and it is available for anyone who would like to see it or show it. He noted that Time Warner ran 116 spots on various cable networks for LEPC during October with payment from a credit the LEPC had with them. He thanked KLUX for always promoting LEPC and Reverse Alert. The sub-committee's next meeting will be December 17, 2015.
3. **Pipeline Damage Prevention Subcommittee:** Roger Smith reported the Safe Digging Seminar held Oct. 22 was a success with over 200 registered. He said the Texas Railroad Commission presentation by David Ferguson (Damage Prevention Manager) resulted in excellent questions and responses. The seminar may be held next year if there is enough interest from the community. He invited those interested to a meeting (today) at 1:30 with the city attorney regarding revisions to the City's current pipeline ordinance. The sub-committee's next meeting will be January 5, 2016.
4. **Emergency Response and Communications Subcommittee:** Chris Garcia reported that CITGO will host the 2016 annual county-wide, full scale drill with a date to be determined. He said MarkWest is scheduling a drill in early 2016 with the RTFC and Corpus Christi Fire Department. The subcommittee has set goals for 2016, including the annual drill, joint training, and site visits by the LEPC and CCFD. Accomplishments for 2015 include a county-wide mutual aid agreement which has been finalized.

Joanne reported the Emergency Response Planning Support Grant had three parts which have now been completed and are being reviewed. A public summary will follow. Joanne announced the LEPC has been granted a HMEP award which will be used for a commodity flow study. This grant is in the amount of \$56,000 with the LEPC providing a match of \$14,000. The next subcommittee meeting will be January 27, 2016.

VII. Presentation:

CCFD Battalion Chief and HAZMAT Lead Jim Devisser presented a program on unmanned aerial systems. The Corpus Christi Fire Department has purchased two RDASS 1000 Quadcopters. One will be housed at Station 12 on Rand Morgan Road and the other at Fire Station 3 on Morgan Ave. They will be used for search and rescue, hazmat incidents, damage assessments, non-emergency functions, brush fires, and large building fires. They have a 20 minute flight time and will stream to the internet. They are capable of flying in winds up to 28 knots and weigh eight pounds. Each AERO (Aerial & Emerging Robotics) team will consist of 8 people including an IT

specialist. At this time CCFD is preparing Standard Operating Procedures as well as addressing data collection challenges. Jim noted that currently FAA regulations for the quad-copters are the same as for an aircraft.

VIII. Public Comment/Announcements: Charlie Gaylor announced that flu shots will be given by the Health Department on November 13, 2015. The cost is \$30.

IX. Motion to Adjourn: Kirby Warnke made a motion to adjourn, second by Roger Smith. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m. The next meeting is January 5, 2016.



David Cave, LEPC Vice- Chairperson