

City of Corpus Christi / Nueces County
Local Emergency Planning Committee - LEPC
September 6, 2022
2406 Leopard St, 3rd Floor Conference Room, Corpus Christi, Texas 78408

Robert Rocha	Joseph Cantu	John Carroll
Shirley Tomlinson	R. J. Thomas	Chrissy Ronje
Christine Logan	Philip Woods	Vincent Harris
Ken Grachanen	Louie Ray	Melinda Malone
Chris Boyce	Jena West	Danielle Hale
Jessica Kalmus	Alex Esparza	Ryan Barbato
William Thompson	David Delgado	Will McGiaun
Robert Lindsay	John Perez, Jr.	Patty Molina
Ignacio Jajica	Allen Hatcher	Annie Huckabee
Sharon Bailey Murphy	Deacon Mark Cazalas	Henry Gonzalez
Brian McDavis	Melissa Huffman	Juan Pena
Briana Stevenson	Colleen Johnson	Joanne Salge
Olga Carrion	Stephanie Wood	Rosie Rodriguez

- I. **Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions:** Corpus Christi Fire Chief Robert Rocha, called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. Introductions followed.
- II. **Acceptance of Minutes:** July 5, 2022, minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Billy Delgado and second by Chris Boyce to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.
- III. **New Business/Old Business:** N/A.
- IV. **Upcoming Training In the Community/Conferences:** City EOC Training Classes coming up: NIMS 300 and 400 In February 2023, other classes can be found at www.preparingtexas.org. CITGO training class on Worse Case Scenario will be held October 18 thru 20, 2022. Hot Zone Conference (in person) will be held on October 20-23, 2022, in Houston.
- V. **Coordinator's Report:** Joanne informed LEPC has applied for a grant to the Texas Division of Emergency Management for highway and rail studies, deadline was August 31, 2022, and we are waiting on a response. Joanne thanked the Port of Corpus Christi for help creating the Safety Video. Joanne informed that three LEPC members have recently passed, Judge Lloyd Neal, Angela Womack and Rick Ramos.
- VI. **Subcommittee Reports:**
 1. **Finance Subcommittee:** Rosie Rodriguez provided the financial report ending for 2021-2022 fiscal year. As of August 31, 2022, 90.51% of the budget has been expended. The Reverse Alert budget is fully expended at 100% with payment of \$78,400 in December 2021. We are in the third year of a 5-year contract. Invoices will go out in October. The motion to accept the financial report as presented was made by R.J. Thomas, second by Louie Ray. Motion passed. Joanne reported that the Tier II donations for 2021-2022 are \$114,595.00, to date. The next committee meeting will be held on October 31, 2022, by WebEx.
 2. **Risk Awareness Subcommittee:** Sharon Bailey reported 27,2825 people have signed up for Reverse Alert. There has been an increase of 824 since the beginning of this year. The goal is to get to 30,000 opt-ins. LEPC continues to find ways of increasing number of opt ins. LEPC has received 774 requests for Shelter in Place kits since school began this year. LEPC continues to distribute SIP kits to schools and hope to be able to distribute as many as we have available. The

Safety video is ready to view and will be presented to LEPC group today. The next meeting will be held on October 27, 2022, at 11:30 a.m.

3. Pipeline Damage Prevention Subcommittee: Vincent Harris, co-chair, gave an update by the Railroad Commission on safe gas transmission from a conference held in Austin which focused on standard inspections, violations, and incidents. The Committee continues to meet with Development Services discussing ways to reach out to homeowners, contractors etc. as they need to call 811 before they dig. Recommendations continue to increase social media and work with other City departments to help find a solution. The LEPC/Gas Dept./OSHA/ Texas 811 will continue to host tallgate briefings with excavators. The Committee is also considering dates for a Workshop at the FEMA dome in 2023. Rosie Rodriguez gave a brief report on Pipeline Ordinance and fees, notices will be sent out in January 2023 which are due on March 31, 2023. The next meeting will be held on November 1, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.
4. Emergency Response and Communications Subcommittee: Attended site visits at Howard Javelina, DPC and STX Beef. CITGO 3-day WCD Full Scale Exercise, October 18-20, 2022, at RMB Regional Fairgrounds. Flint Hills, October 20, 2022. Hot Zone will be held on October 20-23, 2022, in Houston. Three CCFD members will attend Lyondell training event in College Stations in October. Next meeting date will be October 26, 2022, at CCFD Training Room.

VII. Presentation: Steve Ramos, CCWATER, gave an introduction on the Water Department also noting that the Water Department operates in full compliance with the State and Federal requirements. A slide presentation followed on the city water history and other data. The city also explores other options to secure water such as desalination. The City continues Stage 1 Drought restrictions.

Chris Boyce with POCCA presented the new Safety video, several members were present to view the video.

VIII. Public Comment/Announcements: None

IX. Motion to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Sharon Bailey and seconded by Chris Boyce. Motion passed. Next meeting date – November 1, 2022, at 10:30 a.m., in the CCFD training room. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.



Robert Rocha, Fire Chief and LEPC Chairperson