

City of Corpus Christi / Nueces County  
Local Emergency Planning Committee - LEPC  
January 7, 2025  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Training Room, 2406 Leopard, Corpus Christi, Texas 78408

Rob Grachan	Alfonso Trevino, Jr.	Charles Harris
Victor Cano	David Dean	Sam Garibay
Deacon Mark Cazalas	Ron Parks	Marianne McGee
RJ Alvarado	Kathy Ard-Blattner	Javier Zapata
Mike Griffin	Joseph Cantu	Brandon Wade
Henry Gonzalez	John Hoffman	Zack Pickett
Veronica Fuentes	Dee Hawkins	Marion Wine
Amy Lee	Danielle Hale	Stephanie Wood
Philip Woods	Vincent Harris	Peggy Fonseca
Tyler Arrington	Tony Perez	Richard Stracener
William Thompson	Scott Marsh	Ryan Barbato
Brian McDonald	Riley Maxon	Victoria Harrison
Joanne Salge	Amanda Wolf	Briana Stevenson
Hector Rivera	Alex Shunda	Cory Mottice
Eric Rocklage	Marshall Grant	Bradley Ragan
Jace Johnson	Rob Reina	

- I. Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions: Fire Chief Brandon Wade, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:37 a.m. Joseph Cantu provided a facility safety briefing for the attendees.
- II. Acceptance of Minutes: The November 5, 2024, minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Scott Marsh and second by Kathy Ard-Blattner, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.
- III. New Business/Old Business: None
- IV. Upcoming Training in the Community/Conferences: Training opportunities for the community and first responders can be found at [www.coastalbendcan.org](http://www.coastalbendcan.org) and [www.preparingtexas.org](http://www.preparingtexas.org).
- V. Coordinator's Report: Joanne Salge reviewed the activities of the LEPC since the November Committee meeting. Please review the 2025 meeting schedule, add to your calendar, and always remember to RSVP when meals are served. Let us know if you would like to host a meeting. Tier II reports are due January 1-March 1 to the LEPC. We are completing the LEPC Annual Report. Congratulations to Marianne McGee on her recent retirement and her support for the LEPC and community.
- VI. Subcommittee Reports:
  1. Finance Subcommittee: Amanda Wolf provided the financial report. Our expenditures for FY 24-25 are \$19,716.62 of the revised budget of \$136,410 @ 14.85%. Funds were carried over to build our reserve fund balance – 6060/21700. The Reverse Alert fund has not been expended to date but scheduled. We are currently working on a new contract with Everbridge. The new contract will include Aransas County, Refugio County, San Patricio County (Coastal Plains LEPC). They will pay \$20,000.00 annually to use the system. The total for the Everbridge will be \$87,031.01. The City of Corpus Christi contributes \$20,000.00 and Nueces County contributes \$10,000.00. The balance is paid by our industrial partners, 6060-21901. We have invoiced for 2024 and for Reverse Alert partners. The LEPC can accept credit card payments and will promote the service. We are charged 3% by the City for the service. Grant applications have gone out to Flint Hills Resources Helping Heroes in the amount of \$4,000.00 to purchase materials for 125 shelter in place kits and TCEQ. The TCEQ grant request was approved for \$20,332.00. We requested \$5,882.00 for 200,000 Reverse Alert printed cards and \$14,450.00 to run 176 Reverse Alert Media spots. The next Finance meeting will be held on

Monday, March 3, 2025, at (3:00pm on Webex). Briana Stevenson made the motion to approve the financial report as presented with a second by William Thompson. Motion passed.

2. Risk Awareness Subcommittee: Sharon Bailey Murphy provided an update for the Risk Awareness Committee. The last meeting was held on October 24<sup>th</sup> with good attendance. The Reverse Alert numbers: 28,677 and Nixle at 6,305, total 34,982. There were 9 industry alerts in December. The contract is moving forward to include Aransas, Refugio, and San Patricio Counties in the system. They will pay \$20,000.00 annually and will send out their respective messages to their counties. We have not had any new requests for Shelter in Place kits. The next Risk Awareness meeting will be held on Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> and will be held quarterly in 2025, at 11:30am at CCFD Administration.
3. Pipeline Damage Prevention Subcommittee: Joanne Salge presented the update for the Pipeline. We plan to host a workshop in the early spring. In 2025, we will again send out safety messages in the City and County utility billings for April's Safe Digging Month. We will also have City Council and County Commissioners Court Proclamations. Amanda Wolf will send out the City's Pipeline Ordinance letters in January requesting fees/maps/certificate of liability. The next meeting for the Pipeline Damage Prevention Committee is March 4, 2025, at 9:30am in the City EOC.
4. Emergency Response and Communications Subcommittee: Tony Perez reviewed several recent training events and drills. More are scheduled for coming months. ERC Committee met on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Danielle Hale hosted the meeting and luncheon at the Ortiz Center. Dan Koesma, the Director of Channel Development, gave a presentation for the group. The Valero Drill was conducted on December 5<sup>th</sup>. There was a Safety Officer course on December 16-20 and Finance/Admin Unit Leader December 16-18 at the Port. The next Emergency Response and Communication meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, at 11:30 am at Del Mar College, Oso Creek Campus hosted by Mark Bohling.

VII. Presentation: Jace Johnson, Emergency Management Coordinator, City of Corpus Christi.

VIII. Public Comment/Announcements: Coastal Bend Hurricane Conference to be held on May 7-8, 2025, at the RMB Regional Fairgrounds.

IX. Motion to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Danielle Hale and seconded by Victor Cano. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:31 a.m. The next meeting date is March 4, 2025, at 10:30 a.m., 3rd Floor Training Room, 2406 Leopard, Corpus Christi, 78408.



LEPC Chairperson, Chief Brandon Wade