

JEFFERSON COUNTY LEPC

Local Emergency Planning Committee

March 18, 2015

MEETING MINUTES

March meeting called to order by Chairperson Ray Chesson (Jeff. County) at the Rockin'A Café. The March meeting was sponsored by Exxon-Mobil Pipeline.

Self-introductions made by LEPC membership.

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY MEETNIG MINUTES

Chairperson Chesson asked if everyone had an opportunity to read over the January Meeting Minutes that were e-mailed. Chairperson Chesson advised a couple of errors were pointed out and the Minutes were corrected. Chairperson Chesson then asked for a motion to accept the Minutes as corrected.

A motion was made by Charlie Kosh (Total) and seconded by Louie Havens (PAFD). Membership voted unanimously to approve, motion passed.

Our Goal

The purpose of the Jefferson County, Texas LEPC is to inform the public by providing adequate awareness information for chemical emergencies and other hazardous situations.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning January Balance\$ 50, 759.46

Deposits:

January \$ 6, 650.45*

December \$ 2, 500.45*

*membership due deposits

Withdrawals.....\$ -0-

Ending February Balance\$ 59,910.36

Chairperson Chesson asked if there were any questions or corrections to Treasure’s Report, there were none. A motion was made by Mike White (JCEM) to accept the report as read and seconded by Shaqueena Nobles (BEM). Membership voted unanimously to approve, motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Chairperson advised the membership of a request to provide sponsorship for the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Department “COPS & KIDS” fishing tournament. This is the 5th annual fundraiser and the LEPC have provided sponsorship the last three years at the Platinum Level of \$1,000.00. G. Fountain (JCEM) explained to the membership how the money raised by this fund raiser is used to provide money to local school children.

A motion was made by Tommy Wells (Sunoco) to provide the Platinum sponsorship of \$1,000.00 and seconded by C. Kosh. Membership voted unanimously to approve, motion passed.

- Greg Fountain discussed the annual Digital Billboard campaign, utilized by LEPC to display public safety and preparedness information is up for renewal. In the past the LEPC has paid \$ 7,500.00 for a five month campaign. However this year there has been a price increase. G. Fountain explained this LEPC will pay \$10,000.00 and the remaining will come from County Emergency Management Funds.

A motion was made by Dan Duncan (Veolia) to provide the payment for the campaign and seconded by Louie Haven. Membership voted unanimously to approve, motion passed.

- Chairperson Chesson communicated to the membership the LEPC received a request from the Beaumont Fire Department asking sponsorship of the Fire Prevention and Family Safety Festival in October. Chairperson Chesson discussed the various sponsorship amounts provided in the past. A recommendation of \$2,500.00 was agreed upon by the group.

A motion was made by Pat Grimes (Bmt FD) to provide sponsorship for the Safety Festival and seconded by C. Kosh. Membership voted unanimously to approve, motion passed.

PROGRAM

Hope Davilla - TCEQ

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Right to Know & Public Safety Information** - Chairperson Mike Free (PAFD) – NO REPORT
- **Hazmat Facilities** – Chairperson Louis Havens- NO REPORT
- **Medical Committee** – Chairperson Butch Holmes (Acadian EMS)- NO REPORT
- **Emergency Response/Resources** – Tommy Wells (Sunoco)- NO REPORT

Next LEPC Meeting
Wednesday, May 20th
Rockin'A Café
Sponsor – KMTEX

Next SNCA Meeting
Wednesday, April 1st
TBD

Ray Chesson

Chair

Greg Fountain

Co-Chair

Chris Gonzales

Secretary/Treasurer

