

JEFFERSON COUNTY LEPC

Local Emergency Planning Committee

May 15, 2019

MEETING MINUTES

The May LEPC meeting was called to order by Chair Ray Chesson (Jeff. Co.) at the Rockin'A Café.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mike White (JCEM).

Invocation was given by Chris Gonzales (Chevron Phillips – Port Arthur)

Welcome – Emil Ziembo – Air Liquide

Self-introductions were made by LEPC members in attendance.

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 2019 MEETING MINUTES

- Chair Chesson asked those members present if they had an opportunity to review the March 2019 Meeting Minutes and if there were any comments or corrections, there were none. Chair Chesson then asked for a motion to accept the Minutes as written. A motion was made by Louie Havens (PAFD) to accept the Minutes and seconded by John Owens (PAPD). Membership voted unanimously to approve, motion passed.

- **Approval of Treasurer's Report**

Sec./Tres. Chris Gonzales read the Treasure's Report to the membership. Following the reading Chair Chesson asked if there were any corrections to the Report as read, there were none. A motion was made by Louie Havens to accept the Treasurer's Report and seconded by John Owens. Membership voted unanimously to approve, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report (March - April)

Beginning March Balance..... \$ 32,215.87

Deposits:

March \$ - 0 -
Interest..... 0.00
April..... \$ 5,800.00
Interest..... 0.00

Withdrawals

Ck #	Payee	Purpose	\$Amount
1006	LIT Foundation	LIT Shootout	1,675.00
1007	Fire 2 Boo LLC	*AHIMT ICS	1,000.00

**LEPC's share of the \$4,000.00 Incident Command Course*

Ending April Balance..... \$ 35,340.87

Old Business

- None

New Business

- Chair Chesson discussed the Texas Emergency Management Conference and said the conference is always a great opportunity for networking with local and state officials. Co-Chair White suggested that in the future that LEPC consider sponsoring the County's Volunteer Fire Chiefs attendance to the Conference. These Chiefs would certainly benefit from this opportunity to attend the conference and often their budgets don't allow for this conference. Jeremy Hansen (USCG/JCESD#4) who attended the Conference agreed that this would be an opportunity to network with the local congregation who attend plus state officials, disaster recovery personnel, etc. .
- Robert Grimm (JCEM) discussed LEPC dues and told the membership for those whose companies do not pay through the Plant Manager's Forum to see him at the break and he would see if their company is current or owe 2019 LEPC dues.
- Chair White discussed the predictions of the 2019 Hurricane Season and stated that current predictions that this would be a "less than average year" than normal. According to Co-Chair White weather forecasters are moving away from predicting the number of storms and using the term "above or below average year".
- _____ with LifeShare explained their recent blood drives had to be cancelled due to inclement weather. However their annual blood drive was a success and thanked the LEPC for their sponsorship.
- Darrell Davis (Sasol) wanted to remind members of the two conferences that are occurring soon:
 - EHCMA's Industry Severe Weather Symposium on Thursday, May 30th from 8:00 am to 11:30 am at the Pasadena Convention Center, located at 7902 Fairmont Pkwy, Pasadena, TX 77505.
 - 32nd Annual Environmental, Health & Safety (EHS) Seminar and Trade Show Moody Gardens Convention Center, June 3 - 6 2019

- Hope Davilla (TCEQ) wanted to remind members to assure their Tier II Reports are current and have been sent to your response fire department and Emergency Management Office.
- Chair Chesson read the Presidential Proclamation naming May 15th Peace Officers Memorial Day and Police Week, 2019. Chair Chesson recognized John Owens and thanked him for his dedicated service.

Committee Reports:

- Right To Know & Public Information – Chairperson Tommy Shelton – No Report
- Hazmat Facilities Liaison – Chairperson Louie Havens reported that hurricane season is just around the corner and recommended that everyone assure their hurricane plan is current. L. Havens also stated that if your company will be staying at the Lumberton High School during an evacuation assure this information is updated and sent to him.
- Medical Committee – Chairperson Butch Holmes – Not Present
- Emergency Response/Resources – Chairperson Tommy Wells –reported to assure response equipment is updated in the Sabine Neches Chief's database.

PROGRAM: Air Liquide – Emil Ziembo

Next LEPC Meeting: July 17, 2019

Rock'n A Café

Sponsor – Flint Hills

Ray Chesson

Chair

Mike White

Co-Chair

Chris Gonzales

Secretary/Treasurer

