

# Galveston County Fire Fighters Association

REGULAR MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

July 7, 2016

#### CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Key called the meeting of the Galveston County Fire Fighters Association to order at 7:30 PM at Texas City Fire Department.

Bill Pollard gave the invocation. Dan Key led the pledge.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Bacliff FD	2	High Island FD	1	Port Bolivar FD	
Bayou Vista FD	2	Hitchcock FD	2	Santa Fe FD	3
Crystal Beach FD	4	Jamaica Beach FD	1	San Leon FD	
Dickinson FD	2	Kemah FD	2	Texas City FD	7
Friendswood FD	1	LaMarque FD	3	Tiki Island	1
Galveston FD	1	League City FD	1		

#### **SPECIAL GUESTS**

Commissioner Ken Clark was present but had to leave for another meeting. (after supper)

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by B Edwards and seconded by K Baden to approve the minutes for the month of June. Motion carries.

#### TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer's report was read by Rusty Kattner.

Motion made by K Baden and seconded by O Thompson to approve the treasurer's report for the month of June. Motion carries.

\$12,619 is the checking balance and \$37,930 is the savings balance.

Dues and Donations - \$16,587, CD - \$50,000, GC/TR Funds - \$9,595

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Letter from the IRS and a VFIS Newsletter

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Training-** C Anderson handed out certificates for the EVOC class.

Chief McLaren mentioned that Pump Ops was the only class remaining for the Summer Smoke classes. Also, starting this fall, there will be a TCFP Academy, SFFMA FF 1 and various other classes this Fall.

There will also be a TCFP Haz-Mat Technician class online. With this class you can also get your SFFMA certificate.

**Accountability** No updates as of now.

**EMS** 

Website Send stuff to Webmaster to get put on website.

Resource Book

**Dispatching** 

Constitution and By-laws

Mapping

**Audit** Nothing as of now.

**Contract** All Departments have completed their surveys.

**GC OEM** Present were Mike Lambert, Megan Kenney, Deb Nowiski. Also with them were Ed Norman Fort Bend OEM and wife Norah from TEXSAR. They have a contract with the GC OEM. If ever needed, please contact GC OEM.

#### **COLLECTION OF DUES**

All Departments have paid. There are some vendors who have not.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Texas City's Chief Zacherl spoke about the recent Fire Fighter games, BBQ Cook off and Concert benefiting the Galveston County United Way. Said that everything went well and the event raised approximately \$15,000.00. He wanted to thank everyone for their participation and that Hitchcock did really well again this year tasking most of the top prizes in the FF Games. Chief also read off some of the winners in the other competitions.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Dan mentioned that in August there would be a workshop with the County Commissioners.

The Executive Board discussed having a Recognition Dinner this year. Various dates were thrown around. Late October, possibly the 21<sup>st</sup>. or 22<sup>nd</sup>. The place discussed was at Santa Fe Fire and Rescue with the Association renting tables and chairs and having it catered. **Keith Morgan made a motion and James Westinghausen seconded** to move forward with the plans for the Recognition Dinner. Motion Passed. If anyone has any dates in mind, let us know.

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER

C Anderson thanked all Departments who responded to Galveston during their big fire. There was a MAYDAY and everything worked well.

Rusty Kattner mentioned that he is now officially a Past President and the he received his red coat at the convention. He thanked everyone for all of the hard work and dedication that was given to him as he went thru the chairs for SFFMA. Rusty also mentioned that the Convention would be in San Marcos next year in June from the 9<sup>th</sup>. to the 11<sup>th</sup>.

Texas City's Chief Zacherl thanked everyone who came and assisted them on the recent apartment fire. Everyone worked well together.

Bill Pollard gave a brief rundown on the certification system and mentioned that there are problems but it is being fixed. Gary Williams is our Coordinator for our district. Please coordinate everything thru him. Gary says to just be patient, and to continue to track your training by hand.

Tito Rodriguez from the Gulf Coast gave an update on the injured firefighter from Glen Flora FD.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM

### Next months meeting will be in <u>League City</u> on <u>August 4<sup>th</sup></u>. At 7:30 PM



## GALVESTON COUNTY FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION MONTHLY METING NOTICE

There will be a monthly meeting of the Galveston County Fire Fighters Association. Please place this memo on your bulletin board and inform all members of this meeting location, date and time. Please make every effort to attend these meetings.

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