



# Galveston County Fire Fighters Association

REGULAR MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

May 4, 2017

## CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner KEY called the meeting of the Galveston County Fire Fighters Association to order at 7:20 PM at Tiki Island Fire Department.

B Pollard gave the invocation. The Mascot led the pledge.

## ROLL CALL

Bacliff FD	2	High Island FD	1	Port Bolivar FD	4
Bayou Vista FD	1	Hitchcock FD	2	Santa Fe FD	5
Crystal Beach FD	4	Jamaica Beach FD	2	San Leon FD	1
Dickinson FD	2	Kemah FD		Texas City FD	1
Friendswood FD	3	LaMarque FD		Tiki Island	6
Galveston FD	1	League City FD	5		

## SPECIAL GUESTS

Commissioner Ken Clark

Chuck Richardson, running for 4<sup>th</sup> VP SFFMA

Sherri Sheffield, representing rorythewarrior.org

This is a non-profit organization that supplies gear and equipment to FD's that can't afford it. They are a 501C3 organization.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by D Zacherl and seconded by T Anderson to approve the minutes for the month of April. Motion carries.

## TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer's report was read by Rusty Kattner.

Motion made by T Anderson and seconded by J Westinghausen to approve the treasurer's report for the month of April. Motion carries.

\$90,086 is the checking balance and \$57,980 is the savings balance.

\$50,050 is the CD account, \$ 6,882 GC/TR acct. and \$14,088 in the dues and donations.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

Received a letter and a check from Comcast in the amount of \$350 from a grant program they have for Employees and Non-Profit Organizations.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Training-** Stan mentioned that the FF I and II classes are wrapping up and testing will begin soon at COM.

The Summer Smoke classes will be posted to the website along with the dates and times.

Friendswood will be hosting an Open water Rescue class towards the end of summer. The class will only take 24 students. Stay tuned to the website and future meetings for further details.

Rusty mentioned that if you have firefighters that have their certificates of completion, be sure to get him a copy for reimbursements.

### **Accountability**

### **EMS**

**Website** Turn information in to the Webmaster for publication on the website.

### **Resource Book**

### **Dispatching**

### **Constitution and By-laws**

### **Mapping**

### **Audit**

### **Contract**

**EOC** Garrett Foskitt spoke about a program that would help dispense meds to First responders and families in the event of a disaster. He will be sending out an Email to all the Chiefs on this matter. The drugs are free. This is so they will not have to wait in line to receive them.

## **COLLECTION OF DUES**

All Member departments are paid up.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

ALL DEAPRTMENTS.... Your surveys need to be turned in by the June meeting. If you have problems getting on the website and filling out the survey, contact Allison.

Also, you will need to fill out a direct deposit for the County for your check to be deposited.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Shari Forward from the CISM team spoke and mentioned that they are now a part of the International Association!

She mentioned that there would be an opportunity for some training for the members of the team. It is an Instructor Candidate program. The training is in Houston and they are asking for assistance in attending.

**K Morgan made a motion and T Anderson seconded** for up to 10 people to attend the training, with tuition, hotel and \$50 per day per diem. **Motion Passed**

**C Anderson made a motion and O Thompson seconded** we donate \$500 to the Rory The Warrior Fund. **Motion Passed**

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

M Lancaster mentioned that the GC/TR meeting is in September and that they are looking into someone hosting it.

Since our last meeting, the Texas City Fire Department had their annual Fire Games and cook off. Be sure to congratulate the winners!!

Dan mentioned that a member of the Belton Dive team lost his life in an accident, and that our Texas LODD team went to assist.

Stan mentioned that Friendswood has a new boat that is available for mutual aid.

Bill Pollard mentioned that Chief Grimm of LaMarque had an accident and that we need to remember him in our prayers.

Thanks to TIKI for the great hospitality!!

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

***NEXT MEETING - Bayou Vista on June 1<sup>st</sup>.***



***GALVESTON COUNTY FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION  
MONTHLY MEETING 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.

For more information, go to:

**WWW.GCFFA.COM**

**NEXT MEETING : Bayou Vista , June 1<sup>st</sup>.**