



REGULAR MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING
August 6, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Dan Key called the meeting of the Galveston County Firefighters Association to order at 7:30 PM at Bacliff Fire Dept. Chaplain Bob Doolittle gave invocation.

ROLL CALL

<u>12</u>	Bacliff VFD	<u>2</u>	LaMarque VFD	<u>1</u>	Apparatus Services	<u>2</u>	Forest Bend FD
<u>1</u>	Bayou Vista VFD	<u>4</u>	League City VFD	<u> </u>	AB Products	<u> </u>	Galveston Cnty OEM
<u>1</u>	Crystal Beach VFD	<u>3</u>	Marathon FD	<u> </u>	Bullard	<u>1</u>	Gulf Coast FFA
<u>4</u>	Dickinson VFD	<u>2</u>	Pt. Bolivar VFD	<u>4</u>	COM	<u> </u>	Metro Fire
<u>6</u>	Friendswood VFD	<u>10</u>	Santa Fe VFD	<u>2</u>	CISM	<u>2</u>	M&M Fire Protection
<u>1</u>	Galveston FD	<u>1</u>	San Leon VFD	<u> </u>	Dooley-Tackaberry	<u> </u>	Orr Safety
<u>1</u>	High Island VFD	<u> </u>	Southeast VFD	<u>1</u>	Draeger	<u> </u>	UHCL
<u>7</u>	Hitchcock VFD	<u>1</u>	Texas City VFD	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	VFIS
<u> </u>	Jamaica Beach VFD	<u>1</u>	Tiki Island VFD	<u> </u>	Ferrara	<u> </u>	Vista Realty
<u>1</u>	Kemah FD	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	Firefighters Apparatus	<u>2</u>	Wilson Fire
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SPECIAL GUEST:

Gary Countryman from Chem Fire Technology
Lee Lockwood from Galveston County OEM

Welcome new member, M&M Fire Protection and Apparatus Services.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by James Westinghouse and seconded by A. Cargile to approve the minutes for the month of July. Motion carries.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Report read by Rusty Kattner. Motion was made by T. Anderson and seconded by M. Lancaster, to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of July. Motion carries.

T. Anderson asked how the Summer Smoke Project training was going to be paid. Stan commented, saying that the college will be billing the Association and then the Association would then pass this on to the departments.

COMMUNICATIONS

Lee Lockwood, Galveston County OEM, spoke to the association about the upcoming webEOC at the Galveston County bldg. This is training for all departments. He also spoke about a form that the Army Corp of Engineers will need filled out before they will be able to deliver you a generator after a storm. This information would include the size and type of electrical system you have. And lastly, he spoke about a mass communication system.

Gary Countryman of Chem Fire Technology along with two other partners spoke about a fire retardant product that they sell. Eric Steizer said the product was called **Novacool**, and gave some examples of its use. Gary said that they brought a 5 gallon pail of product, and will give it away, in a drawing at the end of the meeting to one of the Departments in attendance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Training: Stan gave a brief video presentation of the Summer Smoke Projects, and spoke about the program. Commissioner Dan Key said that he is pleased with the participation that we have had in the program.

The CISM team had 1 call for service this last month. They mentioned that they are still looking for team volunteers.

Accountability:

EMS: None at this time.

Website: None at this time

Resource Book: none at this time

Dispatching: None at this time

Constitution & By-Laws: None at this time

Mapping Committee: None to report

By-laws Committee: None at this time

Audit Committee: None at this time

Contract Committee: None at this time

Collection of Dues:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by T. Anderson to allot \$2400.00 for the IAFC convention registrations, for the folks planning to attend. A second was made by C. Anderson. Motion carried. All eligible that will be attending met after the meeting for the drawing of names

Drawing was held for the Novacool product. Winner was Bacliff Fire Dept.

GOOD OF THE ORDER Texas City will be conducting live fire burns every weekend in August except the 28th. and 29th.

IAFC dates are August 28th. and 29th.

Marcie Doolittle spoke about Steve Donneley's wife. Her cancer had returned, and that we need to remember them in our prayers.

San Leon FD thanked all the Departments in the County for attending and helping to extinguish a large grass fire in their District.

James Westinghouse thanked Apparatus Specialties for the meal. He mentioned that Sept. 26th. was their fundraiser, and drawings for several large raffle items. He also mentioned that they will be conducting the NIMS 400 class the weekend of August 8th and 9th.

T. Anderson spoke, mentioning that Chief Steve Keller, College Of The Mainland Fire and Technology Coordinator was leaving the area to pursue another job. He will be relocating up near Dallas.

Next meeting place will be held at: KEMAH Fire Dept.

Door Prizes

Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 pm.



GALVESTON COUNTY FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION
MONTHLY MEETING NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the Galveston County Firefighter's Association. Please place this notice on your bulletin board and inform all members of this meeting date. Please make every effort to attend this very important meeting.