



# GALVESTON COUNTY FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

REGULAR MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

August 4, 2011

## CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Wisko called the meeting of the Galveston County Fire Fighters Association to order at 7:30 PM at Bacliff Fire Department.

Bob Doolittle gave the invocation.

## ROLL CALL

Bacliff FD	20	High Island FD	1	Port Bolivar FD	2
Bayou Vista FD	2	Hitchcock FD	7	Santa Fe FD	9
Crystal Beach FD	1	Jamaica Beach FD	1	San Leon FD	1
Dickinson FD	2	Kemah FD	3	Texas City FD	1
Friendswood FD	4	LaMarque FD	2	Tiki Island	5
Galveston FD	1	League City FD	1		
AB Products		Foam Pro		Penreco Fire Dept.	
Apparatus Services		Forrest Bend FD	2	Orr Safety	
Bullard		Galveston County OEM		Public Serv. Leadership Prog.	
BP Fire dept.	1	Gulf Coast FF Assoc.	2	Re Max Realty	
CISM		Jack Roady		Regnier & Assoc.	
COM	1	M & M Fire		Southeast FD	
Dooley Tackaberry		Marathon FD		UHCL	
Draeger		Siddons-Martin Emerg. Group	1	United States Service Group	2
Ferrara		MES		VFIS	
Fire Admin. Services	1	Metro		Vista Realty	
Fire Fighters Apparatus				Wilson Fire	2

## SPECIAL GUESTS

Ray Lease spoke about himself running for County Sheriff. Also, Pam Matranga spoke on her behalf, running for Constable of Pct. 7.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by B. Doolittle and seconded by J. Westinghausen to approve the minutes for the month of July. Motion carries.

## **TREASURERS REPORT**

R. Kattner read treasurer's report.

Motion made by J. Westinghausen and seconded by I. Evans to approve the treasurer's report for the month of July. Motion carries.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

VFIS Newsletter and an Action Training Brochure.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Training-** Stan spoke about the Summer Smoke Programs. Had a lot of students.

Stan passed out 3 - \$1000.00 checks to the fire academy students.

Fire Academy starts on the 29<sup>th</sup>.

New Member class will start in October, and a SEAR class will be put on for Harris County on Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>. And 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Accountability**

### **EMS**

**Website** Send stuff to the Webmaster if you would like it on the website.

### **Resource Book**

### **Dispatching**

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

### **Mapping**

### **Audit**

### **Contract**

## **COLLECTION OF DUES**

AB Products, MES and Penrico – need to pay your dues.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

N/A

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Rusty spoke to the Association. He mentioned that Mr. Robert Moore replaced Chief Bunte of TEEX.

He also thanked everyone who donated and participated in the fund raiser at A&M. There was \$5300.00 raised that evening.

Mike passed out two proposals as to our upcoming budget cuts from the County. He said we will definitely loose something. He mentioned what ever we do, he does not want to cut out any training.

Proposal 1- Ask Commissioners Court to reduce the budget by \$100,000 for 2012, and increase the budget for 2013 and 2014 by \$50,000each year. By 2014 GCFFA will be back to 2011 funding.

Proposal 2 – Take a \$200,000 cut for 2012 and ask for a \$50,000 increase for the next 4 fiscal years.

**J. Westinghausen made a motion for Proposal #1, or the best we can get**

**R. Furman seconded the motion**

**Motion Passed.**

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Bill Pollard spoke about the SFFMA training changes coming in 2012. You can go to the SFFMA web site to see the changes.

You can also contact Gary Williams to get up to speed on the changes. He will be having some classes on the changes on August 13<sup>th</sup>. At League City Fire Station and on March 20<sup>th</sup>. At the Angleton fire Field.

Thanks to Bacliff and their sponsors for hosting the meeting this month.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM

**NEXT MEETING PLACE at **Kemah** On September 1, 2011**

### ***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.