



GALVESTON COUNTY FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

REGULAR MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

April 8, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Key called the meeting of the Galveston County Fire Fighters Association to order at 7:35 PM at Dickinson Fire Department.

Bob Doolittle gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Bacliff FD	1	High Island FD	1	Port Bolivar FD	
Bayou Vista FD		Hitchcock FD	5	Santa Fe FD	7
Crystal Beach FD		Jamaica Beach FD	1	San Leon FD	1
Dickinson FD	12	Kemah FD	1	Texas City FD	2
Friendswood FD	4	LaMarque FD	2	Tiki Island	3
Galveston FD	1	League City FD	1		
AB Products		Fire Admin. Services		MES	
Apparatus Services		Fire Fighters Apparatus		Metro	
Bullard		Forrest Bend FD	2	Penreco Fire Dept.	
BP Fire dept.		Galveston County OEM		Orr Safety	
CISM		Gulf Coast FF Assoc.	1	Public Serv. Leadership Prog.	
COM	4	M & M Fire		Regnier & Assoc.	
Dooley Tackaberry		Marathon FD		Southeast FD	
Draeger	1	Martin Apparatus	2	UHCL	
Ferrara	1	VFIS		Vista Realty	
				Wilson Fire	

SPECIAL GUESTS

Martin Apparatus rep., Dickinson Councilman Walter Wilson and Steve Donelly from Ferrara Apparatus

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by S. Lyons and seconded by J. Westinghausen to approve the minutes for the month of March. Motion carries.

TREASURERS REPORT

R. Kattner read treasurer's report.

Motion made by S. Lyons and seconded by C. Anderson to approve the treasurer's report for the month of March. Motion carries.

COMMUNICATIONS

Received a check from the county in the amount of \$405,000.00.
Dan read the mail.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Training- Stan gave a report on the new member training that began last month. They have 17 students.

The summer Smoke series is coming up. Stay tuned !! There will be four courses this year.

SEAR class with Harris County this weekend.

Chief McLaren from COM spoke about the classes that are offered thru them as online courses. Haz-Mat, Fire Investigator and a couple of more. Contact them for more details.

There is word that A&M will not be providing dorms this year. This is not confirmed.

There will be more on this in the next month.

Accountability We are waiting to see if we will be getting any grants before we pursue any systems at this time.

EMS

Website

Resource Book Keith Morgan is working on it at this time.

Dispatching

Constitution and By-laws

Mapping

Audit

Contract

COLLECTION OF DUES

Crystal Beach and Port Bolivar need to pay their dues.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Crystal Beach, Friendswood, Port Bolivar and League City all need to turn in your surveys.

Dan Key spoke about the importance of paying attention to the deadlines for their paperwork to be turned in.

Dan spoke about the accountability system. He mentioned that we are kinda waiting to see if we will be getting a grant from Homeland security. The system that we are looking at will be compatible with Harris County.

NEW BUSINESS

Dan reported about an AFG Grant Workshop. There is 390 million dollars in grants for 2010. There is a limited amount of funds for apparatus though. www.grantsupport.com

R. Kattner reported that he has hotel rooms for the convention. He has 3 left, and may be able to get a couple more. He also mentioned that he would be running for the fourth VP this year for SFFMA.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Martin Apparatus provided the meal for this evening.

Pat Barrett from TEEX passed away last week. The memorial service is tomorrow at the Brayton Training Field. Steve Donnelly also reported that Pat was instrumental in starting the instructor's coin program.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM

NEXT MEETING PLACE **at Friendswood on May 6, 2010**