Wednesday, October 7th, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. INTRODUCTION
Quorum is (10) Voting Members
Agenda

IN ATTENDANCE: Γ Stephen L. Curran, President; Γ John Owens, Vice-President; Γ Terry Basham, Secretary/Treasurer; Γ Vernon Pierce, Sergeant-at-Arms Γ Dale Jackson, Fire Director; Γ Larry Richard, Fire Director; Γ Larry McBride, Industry Director; Γ Doug Jones, Industry Director; Γ Aleta Cappen, Police Director; Γ Tod McDowell, Police Director; Γ Jeff Kelley, At-Large Director; Γ Butch Holmes, EMS Director; Γ Cindy Powers, Health Director

Call Meeting to Order:

The 722th Sabine Neches Chiefs Association meeting is hereby called to order at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday October 7th, 2009.

Port Neches Fire Department is hosting today's meeting here at The Pompano Club!

Invocation –
Pledge -
Host Welcome –
Ask for Self Introductions
READING OF THE MINUTES
President asks for "Approval" of the September 2 nd , 2009 minutes as e-mailed.
Call for motion to approve the minutes Any other corrections or discussion
"Motion

"Second" All in favor "I" Those opposed Motion carries (or not)	_
CORRESPONDANCE	
Got some checks coming in and appreciate it!	

Call for motion to approve the correspondence

"Motion" "Second" Ask if there is any discussion All in favor "I" Those opposed

Motion carries (or not)

TREASURERS REPORT

President asks for Secretary/Treasurer to give Financial Report

Treasurer Gives Report

The balances as of October 5th, 2009 are:

As of 10/5/09:

Checking: 25,981.62 CD: 4,967.86 -----

Total

\$30,949.48

Also the invoices for dues has been mailed out. If you have not sent in payment, please follow-up to get this taken care of.

	Call for motion to approve the Treasurers Report
	"Motion"
	"Second"
	Ask if there is any discussion All in favor "I" Those opposed Motion carries (or not)
None	OLD BUSINESS
	NEW BUSINESS
None	STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (As Listed in Chronological Order in the Constitution)

Nominating Committee – Tommy Wells

Please be thinking about the upcoming opening in the Board of Directors. We will have openings for a Fire Director, Industry Director and a Police Director.

Section 6. - Terms

- The term of each Officer shall begin at the end of the annual meeting in which they are elected and installed.
- 2) The President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer may not succeed themselves in the same office. The Secretary/Treasurer shall become Vice President elect, and shall succeed to the office of Vice President at the expiration of the term of the Vice President. The Vice President shall become the President Elect, and shall succeed to the office of President at the expiration of the term of the President.
- 3) A member of a Government Fire Entity, Government Police Entity, and a Member of an Industrial Entity shall fill the Position of President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer on a rotating basis.
- 4) The Sergeant of Arms and Directors are not limited in the number of terms in which they may serve.

- 5) All Officers and Directors shall serve two-year terms.
- The Directors of the **SNCA** shall be composed of (2) Directors from Municipal Fire, (2) Directors from the Industrial Sector, (2) Directors from Law Enforcement, (1) At-Large Director, (1) Director from EMS and (1) Director from Health. They will be elected on an odd/even year basis with (1) Director from Municipal Fire, Industrial Sector, Law Enforcement and EMS elected for terms beginning in even numbered years, and (1) Director from Municipal Fire, Industrial Sector, Law Enforcement, Health, and the At-Large Director for terms beginning in odd numbered years.

Section 7. – NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

- 1) The Chair of the Nominations Committee shall appoint (2) Voting Members and the Nominating Committee shall consist of the Chair and (2) Voting Members.
- The Chair of the Nominations Committee shall take nominations for Officers during the calendar year. Nominations must be submitted to the Chair of the Nominations Committee in writing (45) days prior to the December meeting.
- The written nomination must include the person's name, position, address, contact numbers, and the position nominated for. No member may nominate himself or herself for an elected position in the **SNCA**.
- 4) It shall be the responsibility of the Chair of the Nominations Committee to verify the qualifications of the member submitted, and to contact the person nominated to insure their willingness to serve in the position nominated for.
- 5) Once nominations have been closed (45) days prior to the General Election, the Chair of the Nominations Committee shall prepare a list of prospective candidates. The list shall be submitted to the Nominations Committee for review. After review, a list of prospective candidates shall be submitted to the Board of Directors prior to the December meeting.
- The list shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors at the forth quarter board meeting prior to the December meeting, and a slate of prospective candidates will be approved for submission to the membership for General Election. The Chair of the Nominations Committee based on the approved slate shall prepare a written ballot. Spaces for write-in candidates shall be provided on the election ballot.
- 7) The slate shall be presented to the membership at the December meeting, and the President shall provide the membership the opportunity to make nominations from the floor, or accept the slat as presented.
- 8) Should floor nominations be made, the Chair of the Nominations Committee shall insure that the prospective candidate/s meet the qualifications for elected office in the Association prior to a vote being taken.

Membership - Dennis Gifford	
Constitution and RV-Laws - Gary Collins	
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Audit Committee – Andrew Garcia	

Training & Education – Elgin Browning

The 2009 Fire Prevention & Family Safety Festival is scheduled for October 10th; 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Grounds of the Fire Museum 400 Walnut Downtown Beaumont (see attachment)

Lumberton Fire & EMS will also be hosting some training classes in the very near future. We can share that with the SNCA group tomorrow, but we also wanted to get this out as early as possible for planning purposes.

- On Oct. 16, 6-9 PM on Friday evening we will be conducting the "**Art of Reading Smoke**".
- On Oct. 17 & 18, 8 AM 5 PM Saturday & 8 AM till Noon Sunday the **Emergency Vehicle Driving Course** will commence. This will involve both class room and apparatus driving time.
- On October 24 & 25 we will host the **NFA: Incident Safety Officer** course. All of these will be conducted at our Central Fire Station, located between US Hwy 69 & 96, at 228 Country Lane Drive, also known as FM 421.

We should have some limited room available for additional attendees <u>but ONLY those</u> <u>who make advanced arrangements</u> by contacting our Training Lieutenant - Israel Chapa at <u>iachapa@hotmail.com</u>

Thank you, Dennis

The 2009 AHIMT (All Hazards Incident Management Team) Training and Education Conference is coming up November 4-6 in Houston at the Hobby Hilton. This is a national conference and will be rotating to other locations out of state in future years. Therefore this may be the only opportunity some of us have to attend this conference close to home and in our home state for some time.

Glenn – Williams Fire – Foam School in April 2010 – Status ?
Members need to check https://www.preparingtexas.org/index.aspx ?

Awards Committee – Stephanie Garsea

"It is that time of the year to acknowledge one of your piers. If you have someone you'd like to nominate for an award, please complete the nomination

form and return to Stephanie Garsea today. Awards will be given @ Boss' night
event in December."
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Communications – Pat Grimes
Inventory – Vernon Pierce
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Bosses Night – David Frenzel

Programs – Roger Erickson

January 2010. If you have a hot lead on any interesting topics or speakers for 2010, contact Roger Erickson at roger.erickson@noaa.gov or 337-499-0296.
Drill / Exercise – Bob Stegall
Homeland Security-Steve Curran
Oil Spill Committee – Tommy Wells

Overhead Teams –Jeff Kelley
Strategic Planning Committee – Cindy Powers
Golf Tournament Committee –
Public Relations Committee – Stephanie Garsea

ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORT

The 60th Anniversary Committee – Dennis Gifford

RECENT EMERGENCIES/ISSUES

Industry
Municipal Fire
Law Enforcement
EMS
Homeland Security
Health

SPECIAL ANNOUNCENEMTS

Here is the info on the 5K run you requested.

I just wanted to say thank you to everyone that helped with the 5k run this

weekend. The turn out was a much bigger success than what I expected. I was hoping for 200 participants and from my final count, it looks like we had 389 people registered. This generated over \$8,000.00 for BPOA. We had

great support from the community and these are definitely people that we want standing behind our agency and giving support. I have had very few complaints about the run and that is mostly due to the help from everyone that volunteered. I especially wanted to thank the dispatchers that participated in the event. It was nice to see their support. I hope to see other people get involved in the next events that we plan so it can be even bigger. I would especially like to see more of the new guys and gals getting involved whether it be with BPOA or the Benefit Association. I know most of you work a not so desirable schedule but there are things that

can be done prior to the events that will not interrupt your beauty sleep. Being a board member of the BPOA I see that we are often asked to give money to very worthy causes but the money is just not there. That was part

of the reason for this fund raiser so that the BPOA can stand behind its officers in time of need and support worthy causes that our officers feel strongly about. BPOA started the scholarships again this year and for those of you with kids, these fund raisers can help pay off in the long run

if we keep the funds there. One final note. I have to order more run shirts for people that did not get one the day of the run. If you would like me to order you one of the shirts, they will be \$8.00 a piece. I need

your money in hand by this Thursday along with how many shirts and what sizes. I will be placing the order early next Monday and it will only take

a few days to get the shirts. If it is too hard to meet up with me, put the money in an envelope along with a note saying what sizes you want and then place it in my office door. Again, thanks for everybody's help.

B. Baker #2081

BREAK 15 MINUTES *

STAN:

Vickie Derease and Verna Rutherford discuss/promote STAN system.

PROGRAM

Golden Pass/Sabine Pass Update by Tom Burger and Jim Kaucher

International Association of Fire Educators

NEXT MEETING

The November 4th, 2009, 723th SNCA meeting at 10:00 A.M. will be hosted by The Port Arthur Police and Fire Departments and held at Port Arthur Civic Center.

ADJOURN

President calls for motion to Adjourn.

Call for motion to Adjourn	
"Motion"	
"Second"	
Ask if there is any discussion All in favor "I"	
Those opposed	
Motion carries (or not)	

Attachments: