

Bee County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

Meeting Minutes

June 14, 2023

Emergency Operations Center, 111 S. St. Mary's St; Suite 201, Beeville, Texas 78102

Members Present: (27)

Ryan Garza – BC OEM	David Cave – LEPC Chair	Ty Huser – Skidmore VFD	Tai Toelken-Skidmore VFD
Kevin Buesing – Halliburton	Brann Quintana – Halliburton	Michelle Myers – City Bee	Eric Brown – Energy Transfer
John Alaniz- Energy Transfer	Daniel Garza-Targa Resources	Robert Foster-Blackbrush	Victor Garza-DP Fluids
Rob Reyes – BC OEM	Carlos Perez-Arguonegui	Steve Harrison-Warwick	Richard Cantu, Jr – Bee PD
Steven Gaskins-Warwick	Kevin Pawelek-Energy Transfer	Travis Parker- Enterprise Prod	Vicente Romero-TxDot
Brad Read-ConocoPhillips	Mickey Heath-Startex	Tyrell Umphris-AOC	Melvin Davis-Startex
Matt Whitehurst-Energy Transfer	Logan Streadl-TAHC	Jeremy McNeel-USDA	

- (1) Call Meeting to order:** David Cave called the meeting to order at 10:05 am & attendee introductions. Chair took moment to review primary LEPC goals and encouraged attendees to review goals of the subcommittees and to let the appropriate subcommittee chair know they want to be part of that group.
- (2) Pledge of Allegiance:** By membership
- (3) Acceptance of minutes:** Motion to approve by Rob Reyes and was seconded by Ryan Garza – minutes approved
- (4) Old Business/New Business:**
 - a. Old business: None
 - b. New business: Michelle Myers appointed to Risk Awareness subcommittee as Vice-Chair.
- (5) Upcoming Training in the Community/Conferences:** www.coastalbendcan.org – www.preparingtexas.org
 - a. Ryan Garza talked about July 15-16-Active Attacker training in Orange Grove; July 17th-Beeville FD & BISD PD hosting an Electric vehicle fire response training; July 19-20-Active Attacker training at AC Jones school.
- (6) Standing Subcommittee Reports:**
 - a. Finance – *Chair: Richard Cantu Jr.; Vice Chair: Open* – Richard reviewed the financial report and a total of \$11,033.54 in LEPC bank account. Motion by Ryan Garza and second was made by Tai Toelken – approved the financial report
 - b. Risk Awareness, Communications & Planning – *Chair: Ryan Garza; Vice Chair: Michelle Myers*. Ryan brought up June 1st start of Hurricane season; Reminded members to sign up for I-Info messaging system to receive radio, TV, text, email, & social media alerts.
 - c. Emergency Response and Resource Development – *Chair: Bill Burriss; Vice Chair: Rick Villarreal* – No update
 - d. Pipeline Damage Prevention – *Chair: Rob Reyes; Vice Chair: Open (Pipeline rep)* – Rob reported looking at new GIS software which will be an aid to responders. Asked pipeline attendees to meet with him after meeting.
- (7) Presentation:** Video: Importance in understanding proper shelter-in-place for families & business owners.
- (8) Public Comment/Announcements:** Comments are limited to five (5) minutes per person/group.

Be advised the Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the committee from responding and discussing your comments at length and comments need to be factual in nature. Tai Toelken with Skidmore VFD, brought up importance of parent involvement in talking with their children and educating them on how to deal with certain situations.

Chairman noted great attendance by area industrial folks & looking forward to more Pipeline & oilfield companies to be attending along with more emergency responders, schools and businesses.
- (9) Next Meeting Date:** **July 12, 2023 (2nd Wednesday of the month) 10:00am** start time at EMC office conf. room.
- (10) Motion to Adjourn:** Ryan Garza made motion. Meeting adjourned at 10:55 am.