

Victoria LEPC

DECEMBER 18, 2014 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Robbie Kirk called meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. A quorum was met and introductions were held.

Motion was made by Dan and seconded by John Crews to approve past minutes. Vote passed.

Robbie spoke about how the group needs to get refocused. Rick McBrayer was introduced as the Victoria City and County Emergency Manager. OEM office will support the organization as it should and will distribute all paperwork.

Elections were held. Motion was made by John Crews and seconded by Lee Cantu to elect Robbie Kirk by acclamation as Board Chair. Vote was held and passed. John Crews made motion and seconded by David Gonzales to elect Lee Cantu as Vice Chair. Vote passed. Motion was made by Robbie Kirk and seconded by Jennifer Bedford to elect Linda May by acclamation to remain as secretary. Vote passed. Tom Legler will be the information officer.

Cert approved list was passed around and ask that everyone review it. If needed add alternates. Alternates do not have to be certified members. Only one vote will be allowed.

Vote by proxy will be approved.

Roger Smith will get ideas from other LEPC organizations on reorganization tips.

Robbie Kirk spoke to O.C. Garza about NPO. Robbie discussed different options that the Metropolitan planning committee has discussed.

Sean Kennedy stated that Paul Holm is willing to help out with 501-c status. This will require lots of paperwork.

Discussions were held on different ways that the LEPC can notify public of what the organization does. John Crews stated he would like to see the LEPC lobby for needs. File for more grants, etc. Linda May stated that everyone should take an interest on this issue and become more involved. We must make the community aware of what the LEPC stands for and what the organization does.

Rick McBrayer stated that we need to design a new handbook and adopt new bylaws. We could use ideas from other LEPC organizations.

Robbie Kirk would like to see the Victoria Advocate attend meetings and do a story on LEPC. Ask for general meetings where we could get public ideas and needs.

Membership dues were discussed and more discussion will be held. Monies needed for websites, general supplies and needs for committee.

Red Cross of Coastal Bend stated that they were starting a Home Preparedness Program and needed help. Plan to distribute smoke alarms. RAC wants to participate with this program. Barbara ask for volunteers from LEPC participate.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m. Next meeting date will be decided and sent out.

Linda May