

Minutes of Meeting
City of Weston Lakes Emergency Management Committee Meeting
Simonton City Hall
35011 FM 1093, Simonton, Texas 77476
Tuesday, September 13, 2011
6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to Order by Trent Thomas promptly at 6:00 p.m. in the absence of Chairman Aldrich who is presently on vacation.

Introduction of Attendees: Volunteers present introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the August 9, 2011 Committee Meeting were reviewed. Ron Horowitz made motion to approve the minutes as written, motion seconded by Bill DuBois. Meeting Minutes approved.

City Phone Line into the EOC - update: Mr. Thomas reported on a meeting with Jason Hall at the Weston Lakes Country Club EOC location. A protected location has been identified for this line. Costs are being assessed before a proposal can be initiated.

Alert Roster: Mr. Thomas passed the Roster of Volunteers around to the meeting attendants to update their contact information. The Roster will be updated with the latest information. Emergency Calling system (protocol) will be developed as well.

Hurricane Season: Mr. Thomas reported there have been 5 named storms to date, none constituting a threat to our area. However, we must remain prepared to act and contact all needed volunteers should we experience a threat in our area.

Wild Fire Preparedness - Jim Minton: It was reported that Weston Lakes is in good condition, with perhaps our most southern area having more underbrush than is desirable. Other concerns identified were FM1093 and the area north. We were advised to be aware of weather conditions, especially wind during the current drought. Mr. Minton reported there are currently 72 fires burning in the State of Texas with the most recent and closest being at George Bush Park. Responses of equipment and manpower have been very good during this fire season, ie., mobilizing our resources including manpower, equipment, aerial responses, etc. Mr. Minton also reported, on the earlier than planned purchase of a Brush Truck which is lighter and can perform 'off-road'. Russell Beustring, Weston Lakes POA reported that starting tomorrow, some underbrush would be cleared in the Pecan Park/Riverwood Forest areas.

Fort Bend County Mud 81 Water Supply Status - Bill DuBois: Mud President, Mr. DuBois reported we are in good shape at the moment. Both wells are pumping fine. He reminded everyone we were in a mild drought advisory which began on August 11, 2011. As of today, rates at which residents are using water are acceptable with a few exceptions. He advised should the MUD begin pumping 20 hours/day for 3 days, we will escalate to the next drought level. Mr. Beustring asked if water levels were being monitored and Mr. DuBois answered yes periodically and that levels are stable. Mr. DuBois also reported the average residence is using approximately 47,000 gallons per month. Mr. DuBois also reported the MUD is fixing 4 to 5 pipe breaks per day due to the current drought.

Training Matrix: The attendees were reminded and emphasis added on the importance of completing their required training. Everyone was again provided with a training

matrix. Mr. Bernie Bauman turned in two Certificates of Completion; IS 100 and IS 700. Without course completions we will not be in compliance with FEMA. Questions were asked as to whether everyone as shown on the matrix really was required to complete all the training. Answer; yes, it is mandated by FEMA and is mandatory not a suggestion. A few comments from volunteers were made concerning their personal training experiences.

Comments by Volunteers. Mayor Zdunkewicz spoke briefly concerning a proposed grant proposal for a warning siren. The Mayor is also meeting with Alderman Ragel to institute a Robo Calling system for the City's use in an emergency. Additionally the Mayor reported on a meeting with Aqua Texas. Mr. Thomas requested Aqua Texas have a representative within the EOC. Mr. DuBois reported the MUD is designing new wells; awaiting TCEQ approval and will be issuing bonds of approximately \$4.3 million next year. Completion is expected by Aug/Sept 2012 and should provide adequate service for the build-out of Weston Lakes. These bonds will not result in higher taxes by the MUD. Both Mr. Thomas and the Mayor offered compliments to the MUD Board for their due diligence. Mr. Thomas asked the POA representative in the EOC, Mr. Beustring about an evacuation plan (gates). It was stated the POA would work with the City and provide a POA member to open the back gate if necessary for egress from Weston Lakes.

Ajournment: No more business being identified, Mr. Thomas moved for adjournment. Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of September 13, 2011 meeting submitted by Linda Harnist, Committee Secretary, September 14, 2011.
