

TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION

Presiding Officer, Robert Moore, at 9:00 a.m. called the July 14, 2016 meeting of the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to order at 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Room 1-104, Austin, Texas.

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| Attending | Tommy Anderson** John Gillette* Leonardo Perez | Elroy Carson Joseph Gonzalez Steve Tull | Carlos Cortez* Mike Jones* Tivy Whitlock** | Kelly Doster John McMakin | Pat Ekiss Robert Moore |
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| Staff | Tim Rutland Sylvia Miller | Deborah Cowan Lisa Gonzalez | Paul Maldonado Andrew Lutostanski, Assistant Attorney General | Joyce Guinn | Mark Roughton |
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| Guests | Elizabeth Morris Michael Dumas Chris Lopez Mike Wisko Beau Jackson Daniel DeYear | Cary Roccaforte Juan Angel Gloria John Overstreet Jimmy Mullis Carlos Elizondo Billy Wusterhausen | Randal Rhodes Chris Barron Jacob Diaz Roger Dickey Dean Watson | John Browning James Mallinger Doug Fowler Glenn Deshields Jason Collier | Jeffrey Bell Larry Bell Nate Zaleski Rob Franklin Scott Collard | Joe Don Warren Terry Rozell Thomas McMonigle Chris Youngman Les Stephens |
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| 1. Roll call | Commission Assistant Presiding Officer, Joseph Gonzalez called roll and a quorum was present. |
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| 2. Adoption of Minutes | A motion to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2016 and April 28, 2016 meeting was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Kelly Doster. The motion carried. |
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| 3. Budget and Strategic Plan Subcommittee Meeting/Reports | No action necessary. |
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| 4. Reports from Interest Groups | A brief report was given by the Texas Fire Chief's Association, Texas State Association of Fire Fighters, State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association, and the Texas A&M Forest Service. |
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| 5. Report from Fire School Advisory Board & TEEEX | New commission Representative Juan Gloria gave a brief report on activities since last meeting. |
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| 6. Report from Homeland Security Council Representative | Commissioner, Joseph Gonzalez, gave a brief report from the June 24th joint meeting with the Private Sector Advisory Council. He reported that a representative from the Governor's Office spoke on focusing on budget and policy for upcoming legislative session. A University of Houston representative spoke on border trade immigration research and software development for Homeland Security processes and research on biometrics and face recognition; and another spoke on state government building infrastructure and security. The next meeting will be in September 2016. |
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| 7. U.S. Chemical Safety Board Report | Tim Rutland, Executive Director gave a brief update and provided information from the agency library regarding ammonium nitrate. He informed commissioners that TEEEX is still developing a course and is keeping in touch with the Chemical Safety Board on the development of the course. |
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| 8. New matters | Nothing noted |
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9. Future meeting dates The commission previously scheduled its next meeting for October 27, 2016 beginning at 10:00 a.m.
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10. Matters from Fire Fighter Advisory Committee
- A. 1. A motion to approve for final adoption the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 437, §437.13 and §437.17 was made by Leonardo Perez and seconded by Pat Ekiss. After discussion the motion was withdrawn.
- After further discussion a motion to approve for final adoption 37 TAC, Chapter 437, §437.13 and §437.17 with an effective date of January 1, 2017 was made by Leonardo Perez and seconded by Pat Ekiss. The motion carried.
2. A motion to approve for final adoption the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 439, §439.1, 439.3, 439.7, 439.9, 439.11 and 439.19 with an effective date of January 1, 2017 as discussed was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Leonardo Perez. The motion carried.
3. A motion to approve for final adoption the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 451, new §451.307 and §451.407 with changes as discussed was made by Pat Ekiss and seconded by Steve Tull.
- B. 1-7. A motion to approve for publication the proposed amendments to Chapters 423, 425, 429, 431, 433, 451, and 453 as discussed was made by Elroy Carson and seconded by Tommy Anderson. The motion carried.
8. A motion to approve for publication the proposed amendments to Chapter 435, §435.25, as discussed was made by Pat Ekiss and seconded by John McMakin. The motion carried.
9. A motion allowing the Presiding Officer to form an ad-hoc committee to determine the need for further development of Fire Inspector certifications to meet the needs of businesses and citizens in the state of Texas and forward a recommendation to staff, Fire Fighter Advisory Committee and the board (commission) as discussed was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Tivy Whitlock. The motion carried.
- C. A motion to approve the recommended changes to the Aircraft Rescue Fire Suppression Curriculum, outline and reference list as discussed was made by Tommy Anderson and seconded by Leonardo Perez. The motion carried.
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11. Matters from Executive Director
- a. Tim Rutland, Executive Director reported no informal conferences had occurred since the last commission meeting.
- B. Mr. Rutland provided commissioners information on agency functions since last commission meeting.
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12. Executive Session Presiding Officer, Robert Moore did not call for the Executive Session.
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13. Open Session No action necessary.
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14. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Kelly Doster and seconded by Tommy Anderson. The motion carried.

Robert Moore, Presiding Officer