

MINUTES
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2019

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission held its regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. May 29, 2019, 7919 Independence Blvd Baton Rouge, LA 70806. The meeting was called to order by Henry “Darty” Smith, with the following members present:

Ira Cleveland, Commissioner
James A. Hopson, Commissioner
Dominique J. Monlezun, Commissioner
Major Mark Morrison
Attorney Melinda Long

Present also was John W. Alario, Executive Director, and various industry representatives.

On motion by Mr. Hopson, seconded by Major Morrison the meeting was called to order.

The minutes were reviewed and signed.

The detailed appropriation reports ending April 2019 were reviewed.

The statistical reports for the period ending April 2019 were reviewed.

The accounting total reports for April 2018/2019 were reviewed.

Report of fires and accidents for April 2019 were reviewed.

The compliance audits for April 2019 were reviewed.

Dates for the next meetings were set for June 26th & 27th Baton Rouge, LA.

Mr. Alario informed the Commission that he would make the following citations for appearance at the next meeting and that others may be added prior to distribution of the AD letter:

1. **Citations – Regular** – None
2. **Citations – Insurance** – None
3. **Citations – Permit Renewals** – None

As of May 3, 2019 the Market Development Fund (MDF) balance is **\$455,599.32.**

John Alario updated the Commission on some of the findings by the Legislative Auditor’s office. As a result, Mr. Alario requested for changes to the current filing fees. Classes 1-6, 6X, 7-9, A1-A3 filing fee is \$150; all remaining classes shall have a \$25 filing fee. On motion by Mr. Cleveland, seconded by Mr. Hopson, the requested filing fees was approved. The proposed continued education requirement is six hours. Any employees with a card of competency employed by a class 1 dealer must complete six hours every year beginning 2021. On motion by Mr. Cleveland, seconded by Mr. Monlezun, the requirement was approved. Mr. Alario also requested to move from

the NFPA 08/09 edition to the 17/18 edition. On motion by Major Morrison, seconded by Mr. Monlezun, the 17/18 edition was approved.

On behalf of the Louisiana Propane Gas Association, Mr. Randy Hayden approached the Commission. The statewide training that has been funded by PERC is concluding. Mr. Hayden believes continuing education is a positive step for everyone. He expressed the importance of making sure all members will be educated on the NFPA 17/18 edition that has been implemented by the Commission. The summer convention will be held in Pensacola, Florida with the Alabama Propane Commission. Industry members are interested in some opportunities this fall in relation with the market development fund. There was continued discussion regarding continuing education.

There being no other business, on motion by Mr. Cleveland, seconded by Mr. Hopson the meeting was adjourned.