### LOWCOUNTRY COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

Quarterly Business Meeting November 11, 2017 Charleston County Rescue Squad Headquarters 2521 Rescue Road, North Charleston, SC. 29409

#### Members in Attendance:

Cheryl Bailey, Harry Sosa, James Petros, Alan Laughlin, Tony Pecorara, Debbie Hvizdos, Rich Selover. Jim Petros, Gordon Sellock, Victor Swindell, Ward Morgan, Susan pleather, Josh Perryman, Danica Sancic, Lorie McFadden

The meeting was called to order by Alan Laughlin at 10:01 am.

Certification of Quorum:

Cheryl Bailey confirmed the membership present did meet quorum for this meeting.

Approval of August 19, 2017 Minutes:

asking the new members to join LCERT.

Alan Laughlin asked all members to review the minutes presented and he stated they were emailed prior to the meeting.

A motion was made to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded and accepted into the records.

# **Financial Update:**

Lori McFadden was absent but reported no money has been spent since the august meeting. The only difference would be some extra cents added to the interest.

A motion was made to accept the financial report. The motion was seconded and accepted into the records.

# County reports in alphabetical order: County Representatives

Charleston County: A Representatives was not present but Alan Laughlin was given the information that a New CERT will start in January at this location. Harry Sosa noted it was posted on the Facebook account and on the LCERT website.

Berkeley County reported they recently had 12 new members graduated from CERT class. Cheryl Bailey was given by email the gradruates information and sent an invitation by email

## **Insurance for LCERT:**

Alan Laughlin presented the members the three insurance quotes he obtained for the organization. Alan Laughlin reminded everyone that the reason why LCERT has not participated in the past year is due no protection. Alan Laughlin explained the differences with all three polices, what they cover and cost. The Board awarded Hiscox insurance for the Directors and Officers (D/O) for \$501 which will take effective January 1, 2018. Alan Laughlin also discussed the options of other policies that could be purchased for Special Events the LCERT may hold.

# **Everbridge Software System:**

Harry Sosa briefly explained that LCERT will be moving away from MailChimp Eblast to Everbridge that Joe Coates with Charleston County currently uses. This software system will allow to communicate with text messages, emails blast etc. and extremely secure.

### Minor Provisions for the P&P:

Alan Laughlin explained the minor editorial changes to the members present. There was a total of five changes which included adding the Liability Waiver for example.

The Board voted on the minor changes and approved the changes.

Danica Tarter the training coordinator discussed and reviewed the 12-month calendar with the members present. These suggestions and classes will be posted on the LCERT website along with social media. Danica Tarter would like the members to give her any suggestions, or questions please feel to contact her directly.

The Board and members present agreed on February 3 for the Annual Meeting which did not conflict with a holiday weekend.

This Annual meeting two positions will be up for election, the Chair and Treasurer.

Alan Laughlin asked for a moment of Silence to honor Veterans Day.

With no futher business a motion was made to adjourn the meeting, it was seconded and approved by all. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Bailey

Acting Secretary