

MINUTES
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 2012

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission held its regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, 2012 at 7919 Independence Blvd., Conference Room B, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. James Hopson, with the following members present:

Mrs. Carol Ann Cleveland, Vice-Chairwoman
Mr. Charles Cain, Commissioner
Major Adam White
Attorney Paul Schexnayder

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

On motion by, Mr. Cain seconded by Major White, the minutes of the June 2012 meeting were adopted as transcribed and the register of attendance was signed.

The latest expenditure and revenue reports ending June 30, 2012 were reviewed.

The statistical reports for the period ending June 30, 2012 were reviewed.

The accounting total reports for June 2011 and June 2012 were reviewed.

Report of fires and accidents for June 2012 were reviewed.

The compliance audits for June 2012 were reviewed.

Dates for the next meetings were set for August 29th & August 30th Baton Rouge, La.

Mr. Alario informed the Commission that he would make the following citations for appearance at the August 2012 meeting and that others may be added prior to distribution of the AD letter:

- 1. Citations – Regular –**
None as of July 13, 2012
- 2. Citations – Insurance –**
None as of July 13, 2012
- 3. Citations – Permit Renewals –**
None as of July 13, 2012

Mr. Alario presented the Commission with the Market Development Fund (MDF) balance of **\$ 485,717.86** as of June 30, 2012.

Commission Legislation and/or Rule Changes: Mr. Alario informed the Commission that there is approximately a \$300,000.00 surplus dedicated to the Market Development Fund. Mr. Alario also informed the Commission that the rule drafts for the gas pumps will begin soon.

Discussion by the Executive Director: According to Mr. Alario, the Market Development Committee met recently. There are several items they approved on their agenda. The Committee has added an additional \$100,000.00 to the current balance in the Rebate Program (for appliances). They also approved a \$44,500.00 advertising contract with LA Tech Sports Properties. They also approved to renew contracts with LSU Sports Properties for \$80,000.00 and Cox Communications for \$90,000.00. On motion by Mr. Cain, seconded by Mrs. Cleveland the amounts were approved. All agreed.

Mr. Alario provided the actual numbers for the Rebate Program from June 2011 – July 2012. According to Mr. Alario, the Rebate Program was successful. Approximately, \$150,000.00 was issued in various rebates.

Commission/Industry Communication: On behalf of the Louisiana Propane Gas Association (LPGA), Ms. Jessica Bennett approached the Commission. Ms. Bennett reminded the Commission about the convention that will be held next week in Orange Beach, Alabama. Also, the LHSAA convention is currently going on. The Plumber's Association convention will be held this weekend in New Orleans, LA. Inspectors Ledet and Mclain will provide testing and training during the convention. The Sheriff's Association convention will be held in late August in Destin, FL. Ms. Bennett also reminded the Commission about the Miss Louisiana pageant that was held last month. Commissioner Hopson addressed the ongoing issues with Class 6X permit holders. Ms. Bennett informed the Commission that they can address some of those issues during the convention if she is provided the issues.

There being no other business, Major White motioned to recess until 8:30 a.m., Thursday, July 19, 2012, Mrs. Cleveland seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.