

Louisiana Emergency Response Commission  
May 14, 2025  
Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Louisiana Emergency Response Commission (LERC) was called to order at 1005 hours on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, by Committee Chair John Porter. The meeting was held at the Louisiana State Police Headquarters located at 7919 Independence Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806.

Chairman Porter directed the roll to be called by Mark Morrison of the Louisiana State Police (LSP) Right-to-Know Unit with the following results:

John Porter – PRESENT  
Jerry Lang – PRESENT  
Collette Duhe – PRESENT  
Earl Eues, Jr. – ABSENT  
Christopher Adams – PRESENT  
Jason Tastet – PRESENT  
Dustin Kleinpeter – PRESENT  
Philip Taylor – PRESENT  
Renee Amar – ABSENT  
Dawson Primes – PRESENT  
Terry Guidry – PRESENT  
Travis Perrilloux – PRESENT  
Robert Moore – PRESENT  
Rodger McConnell – PRESENT  
Environmental Interests – n/a  
Louisiana Fire Chiefs Association – n/a

Morrison advised the Chair that a quorum had been reached with 12 voting members present.

Chairman Porter welcomed Committee members and thanked them for their attendance. He next introduced himself and asked committee members in attendance to introduce themselves.

Once these introductions were complete, Morrison discussed letters of appointment for serving members. A brief discussion followed regarding Senate confirmation of nominated members.

Next, Chairman Porter discussed the need to update the LERC by-laws and standing committees to reflect recent changes made by Executive Order JML 24-121. Chairman Porter asked for a motion to amend the meeting agenda to discuss these issues. The motion was made by Chris Adams and seconded by Dawson Primes. Motion passed without opposition.

After a brief discussion, Jerry Lang made a motion to revise the LERC bylaws which was seconded by Philip Taylor. Motion passed without opposition.

Next, Chairman Porter offered for review new appointments to the Calcasieu LEPC. Jason Tastet made a motion to accept the new appointments; motion was seconded by Dawson Primes. Motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Porter also offered for review new appointment to the Winn LEPC. Terry Guidry made a motion to accept the new appointments; motion seconded by Travis Perilloux. Motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Porter next asked members if anyone else had any new business to discuss. No one offered any new business for consideration.

When asked for other questions or comments, a member asked for clarification of the roles and responsibilities of the LERC. After some discussion, Chairman Porter informed the Commission that as long as the Commission follows statutory requirements, the Commission was free to identify the needs of local LEPCs and the citizens of the State and work towards meeting these needs.

Chairman Porter then asked for a motion to hold the next LERC meeting on September 10, 2025. Motion to accept this meeting date made by Dawson Primes and seconded by Robert Moore. Motion passed without opposition.

Finally, Jerry Lang made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Chris Adams. Motion passed without opposition.