

MINUTES
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2014

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission held its regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 17, 2014, at 7919 Independence Blvd Baton Rouge, LA 70806 – rooms C & D. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. James Hopson, with the following members present:

Mrs. Carol Ann Cleveland, Commissioner
Mr. Charles Cain, Commissioner
Mr. Henry “Darty” Smith, Commissioner
Major Frank Ducote
Attorney Melinda Long

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

On motion by, Mr. Cain seconded by Mrs. Cleveland the minutes of the November 2014 meeting were adopted as transcribed and the register of attendance was signed.

The latest expenditure and revenue reports ending November 30, 2014 were reviewed.

The statistical reports for the period ending November 30, 2014 were reviewed.

The accounting total reports for November 2013 and November 2014 were reviewed.

Report of fires and accidents for November 2014 were reviewed.

The compliance audits for November 2014 were reviewed.

Dates for the next meetings were set for January 21st & January 22nd Baton Rouge, La.

Mr. Alario informed the Commission that he would make the following citations for appearance at the January 2015 meeting and that others may be added prior to distribution of the AD letter:

1. **Citations – Regular –**
Possible one (1) as of December 15, 2014
2. **Citations – Insurance –**
3. None as of December 15, 2014
4. **Citations – Permit Renewals –**
Possible twelve (12) as of December 15, 2014 - failure to pay permit renewals.

As of December 3, 2014, the Market Development Fund (MDF) balance is **\$155,246.66.**

Attorney Long presented the Commission with the new emergency rule effecting mass transit buses and the shutoff valve.

Mr. Alario asked the Commission for approval for LA Radio Network and Miss Louisiana pageant contracts paid by the Market Development Fund. On motion by Mr. Cain, seconded by Major Ducote, the contracts were approved.

On behalf of the Louisiana Propane Gas Association (LPGA), Mr. Randy Hayden approached the Commission. According to Mr. Hayden, LPGA is concerned about the Commission fees and Market Development assessment. He suggested that the members of the LPGA intend to be forthcoming with their concerns. LPGA would like clarification on the charges and assessments made to the Commission and the decrease in the surplus to the Market Development fund. There has been discussion regarding the possibility of eliminating the Market Development assessment for Class 1 and Class 4 dealers. Mr. Alario reminded Mr. Hayden that Market Development does not affect the Commission.

There being no other business, Mrs. Cleveland motioned to adjourn, Mr. Cain seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.