



OFFICIAL MINUTES

CHAPTER MEETING January 15, 2015 Rio Hondo Golf Course 10627 Old River School Rd Downey, CA 90241

SUMMARY

Meeting Host: Jim Acosta, Downey Fire Department (Ret.)
Secretary's Report: Minutes from the December 2014 meeting are posted on the CPRA website.
Treasurer's Report: See comments
Program: "LA-RICS LMR and LTE Update" presented by Pat Mallon, Executive Director, LA-RICS
Attendance: 58

AGENDA

Call to Order – Don Miller. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M.

Pledge of Allegiance – Joe Parrino.

Welcoming Remarks – Don Miller. Don thanked everyone for attending today's meeting. He said our program presenter today is Pat Mallon, who Ron Wong will introduce later in the meeting.

Self Introductions: Members were welcomed. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves to the group.

Commercial Members Introductions – Larry Weber. The various commercial members introduced themselves and spoke briefly of the products they offer.

December Chapter Meeting Minutes Approval – Don M. Don asked if there was a motion to approve last month's Chapter Meeting Minutes. Dick Granado made the motion. Jim Acosta seconded the motion. No discussion ensued. The motion carried.

Chapter Officer Reports.

Future Meetings Report – Ron Wong: Dick covered upcoming Chapter meetings, sponsors, programs, and meetings still in need of a program.

Membership Report – Dale Digiambattista.

Membership Numbers: Dale advised current membership shows a total of 246 Chapter members, including 124 Full, 45 Commercial, 48 Group, and 29 Associate members.

Treasurer's Report – Joe Parrino.

Monthly Financial Report: Joe provided a report of income and expenses for the previous 30 day period. He outlined specific dollar amounts regarding income and expenditures, all of which can be made available upon member request.

APCO International Report.

Executive Council Delegate Report – Jim Acosta: On December 10-11, the Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) met in Daytona Beach, FL to brainstorm goals and strategies of a new Long-Range Strategic Plan (LRSP) for 2015-2020. On December 12, the audit team from Weston & Gregory reviewed its findings with

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the Executive Committee. The auditors rendered an unmodified opinion (its highest level of opinion) on the FY2014 financials. Some important dates to remember include: January 1, Scholarship Applications open and PSAP Award Nominations open; January 15, the last day to declare candidacy. Jim knows of two candidates thus far, JJ McFarland from Pennsylvania and Martha Carter from Louisiana; February 1, Committee Sign-ups begin. APCO announced future International Conference & Expo future cities are as follows: 2016 – Orlando, FL; 2017 – Denver, CO; 2018 – Las Vegas, NV; 2019 – Baltimore, MD; 2020 – Orlando, FL; 2021 – San Antonio, TX; and 2022 – Anaheim, CA. Jim reminded the group the Telecommunicator Awards nominations are due next Friday, January 23.

Regulatory Update.

FCC Update Information – Gary Gray: Gary advised he brought handouts issued by the FCC and Homeland Security regarding Signal Jammers. He also emailed them to the commercial members.

Region 5 700 and 800 MHz Update – Dave Buchanan: Dave sent an email blast to the Spectrum List regarding changes, made by the FCC, in tower registration. APCO is a Frequency Coordinator.

Additionally, three other companies have petitioned the FCC to become Frequency Coordinators. APCO and other organization have submitted oppositions to these petitions, due to a conflict of interest with the companies being in the business of consulting. The FCC will not submit paper copies of licenses. The licenses will be sent to email addresses instead. Dave encouraged everyone to make sure their email addresses and telephone numbers, on file with the FCC, up-to-date. On January 29 at 10:30 A.M., or shortly thereafter, there will be a 700MHz Work Group. Dave asks that each agency only send one or two people due to limited space. Anna Holmes asked if the meeting will be available on teleconference, for those unable to attend in person. Ray Grimes advised there will be a Rebanding Meeting, prior to the 700 MHz Work Group on the same day. He also spoke of the requirement of the FCC regarding the registering of signal boosters.

APCO Life Membership Nominations – Gary Gray. Gary presented the name of Joe Parrino to the group for nomination as an APCO Life Member. Joe has been an APCO and CPRA member for 40 years. He's served in various CPRA Board positions. Gary made a motion to submit Joe for APCO Life Membership. Jim Acosta seconded the motion. No discussion ensued. The motion carried. Gary presented the name Ernest Gallo for nomination as an APCO Life Member. Ernest has been a Chapter member for 23 years. Ernest has served the Chapter as Past President and currently is our Webmaster. Dick Granado made a motion to submit Ernest for APCO Life Membership. Jim Acosta seconded the motion. No discussion ensued. The motion carried.

Program Presentation – Pat Mallon. Ron Wong gave a brief biography of Pat Mallon prior to introducing him. Pat presented to a full house regarding the LA-RICS LMR and LTE Update. His extensive presentation informed the group as to, not only the status of the project, the criteria, scope, and reaching affects as well. Pat then fielded questions from attendees.

Meeting Adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 11:58 A.M.

Notes for the Record.

Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC). Gary Gray convened the Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting. Ongoing and new frequency requests were presented and acted upon.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Espindola
Secretary

