



### **Minutes for 4-13-2019**

**Meeting opened at 1300.** By Vice President Joe Cobos KG5BPK

**Roll call** sign-in-sheet was passed out. See attached attendance sheet.

**Minutes:** There were no minutes from the last meeting due to meeting at the EMCOMM conference in Weslaco.

**Finance Report:** No Report

**Rio Link report:** No Report other than so far all is up and running except for the La Feria repeater.

**VEC Report:** Dave Waldrige WA5MMY informed us that we have testers scheduled for the 2nd Tuesday in April and June.

**District 3 ARES:** John Cain N5MGC all is well with the check ins and we have several events that are coming up.

**Website Report:** RGVARC.org is our website and a good source of information. The contact portion goes directly to the Secretary Rene Lopez, Jr. KF5KYL and he would do the best to get you the information you need. Members are urged to check it periodically for updated information on events. Membership dues and donations can be done on the website utilizing PayPal.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No old Business

**NEW BUSINESS:** Guest speaker was McAllen Fire Dept. Assis. Chief Jim Shultz. Chief Shultz informed the club of the Hidalgo County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC). He spoke of what the committee is composed of and their duties. All are welcome to join in the meetings because this is where the emergency plans for Hidalgo County are formulated. He invited the club to participate in the upcoming tabletop exercise on April 25th and there will be a hands on chemical response exercise to be scheduled. The Hidalgo County LEPC meets the

3rd Thursday of the month at the McAllen EOC located inside McAllen Fire Department Central Station.

There will be a Wynlink class sponsored by the STARS organization in Harlingen at the Valley Baptist Hospital conference room on the 27th. Our own Joe Aschom AG5DL is one of the instructors and if want to learn more about Wynlink contact him.

Mac Shirley AE5PU announced that the weekend of April 27th & 28th is Texas emergency preparedness tax free weekend. Several items for disasters can be bought tax free.

Breakfast has been moved to El Mana Cuisine in Pharr.

Meeting adjourned at 1400.

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President  
Eddie Olivarez, K5UEZ

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Secretary  
Rene Lopez,Jr. KF5KYL