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OFFICIAL MINUTES

CHAPTER MEETING

Knott's Berry Farm – Gold Rush Camp
8039 Beach Blvd.
Buena Park, CA 90620
Thursday, September 20, 2018

SUMMARY

Meeting Host: Robert Stoffel, Orange County (Ret.)
Early Bird Sponsor: CPRA
Secretary's Report: Katie Hardin
Treasurer's Report: John Wright
Program: VCC Regulatory Trends in Public Safety, presented by Alan Tilles
Attendance: 46

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Chapter President **Scott Espindola** called the meeting of the Southern California Chapter of APCO International to order at 10:10 am. Scott welcomed everyone to the September 2018 meeting.

APCO Western Regional Director

Chapter President **Scott Espindola** noted a change in the Agenda, due to newly elected APCO Board of Directors Western Region Representative **Jim Acosta** having to leave the meeting. Scott introduced Jim who advised he was grateful for being elected for the position and presented his report. CAC Members asked to have an associate member added to the committee, which was voted down. The issue noted was in the wording as it relates to the term limits. The CAC can revisit the wording and resubmit for future consideration. The APCO Vice President observer role was discussed for upcoming Vice President nominees. The Observer role takes a part in the monthly calls with APCO. It was voted through to allow this position to begin in April to give some exposure prior to the officer voting in August. Jim advised he is available via email, if needed. He will continue to attend Chapter Meetings.

FLAG SALUTE

Past Chapter President **John Sarkissian** led the membership in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Chapter President **Scott Espindola** announced and congratulated the following new appointments:

Jim Acosta – APCO Board of Directors Western Region Representative
Ernest Gallo – CPRA Executive Council Delegate
Howard Newton – CPRA Chapter Vice-President



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Chapter President **Scott Espindola** asked for a motion to approve the Chapter Meeting minutes from the August 2018 meeting in San Marcos, CA. Chapter Member **Jim Donovan** made the motion to approve the minutes; Past Chapter Treasurer **Joe Parrino** made the second. There was no additional discussion heard and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

WELCOMING REMARKS

Chapter President **Scott Espindola** thanked **Robert Stoffel** for being the day's Meeting Host; Alan **Tilles** for being the day's Program Presenter; and **The Sales Group** for being the Banner Sponsor.

INTRODUCTIONS

Chapter Commercial Advisory Member **Larry Weber** asked those in attendance to introduce themselves, and if a Commercial Member, to say a brief few words about their company or products. Commercial Members were asked to commit to their attendance at next month's Vendor Exhibition.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Chapter President-Elect **Doug Roberts** gave a reminder of the following future meetings:

- October Annual Vendor Exhibition – Quiet Cannon, Montebello
- November Meeting – Orange County Sheriff's Department, Loma Ridge
- December Meeting – Knott's Berry Farm, Buena Park

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Chapter Vice-President **Howard Newton** reported on the new Members:

Full:

Ken Gurwell, City of Pasadena – Telecommunications Supervisor

Commercial:

Mitch Coltharp, HetNet Wireless, LLC

James Roe, BRAINCHIP iR, Director

Total Current Chapter Membership:

Full Members	279
Commercial	66
Associate Members	47
Online	166

FINANCIAL REPORT

Chapter Treasurer **John Wright** gave the financial report, including income and expenses for the past thirty (30) days, to the membership. A printed copy of the report is available to members upon request.



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Chapter Treasurer **John Wright** advised all Commercial Members payment for the October Meeting can be made today.

CCAM REPORT

Vice-Chapter Commercial Advisory Member **Ron Lyons** will be sending out an email for Commercial Members to forward on to their contacts as an invitation to next month's Vendor Exhibition. Members in attendance were also asked to invite their upper management to the event.

The Sponsorship Program is complete and will be posted on the CPRA Website soon. Several Sponsor opportunities are available all year long.

APCO-INTERNATIONAL REPORT

Chapter Executive Council Delegate **Ernest Gallo** advised that APCO is still requesting feedback on the 4.9 band. APCO put out an attendance report to the International Conference in Las Vegas that took place in August, of 3003 attendees. An additional 2,000 plus were in attendance as Vendors, that were not included.

C&B UPDATE

Frequency Advisory Committee Chair **Gary Gray** presented two changes requested to the C&B. One addressed wording to the electronic voting. The other, is the first reading of the proposed changes to the C&B prompted by the reallocation of duties within the Vice-President and President-Elect positions and vacancies arising mid-term.

NETWORKING BREAK

Chapter President **Scott Espindola** recessed the meeting for a 20-minute networking break.

OFFICER CANDIDATE SPEECHES

Director **Dale Digiambattista** announced the commencement of electronic voting, to begin following the meeting. Voting Members will be receiving an email from Ballot Bin with a link to place their votes. Dale introduced our Officer Candidates and they provided a quick speech:

CPRA President-Elect, **Howard Newton** – Has been in public safety since 1988. He started with Orange County and is now with Riverside County. Howard enjoys the work he does, knowing that it saves lives every day.

CPRA Sergeant-at-Arms, **Jeff Loveland** – Is currently in the position and up for re-election. Jeff has been a CPRA Member for 30 years. He feels this is a great opportunity to give back to the group and professionals in the industry. Jeff appreciates the continued support.

CPRA Vice-President, **David Duenas** – David was not in attendance, sending his regards via Director **Dale Digiambattista**.



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PROGRAM PRESENTATION

Chapter President **Scott Espindola** introduced the meeting Program Presentation speaker, Alan Tilles. Alan presented on VCC Regulatory Trends in Public Safety. Alan started off by saying his favorite part of these events is networking and being presented with issues that are being faced by those in the field, so he can come up with solutions for these issues.

Alan took a non-traditional approach to his presentation by asking the Members in attendance to provide topics they wanted additional information on. Alan provided in depth detail on many issues, including T-band, the 4.9 Band, in-building wiring, where the FCC is headed and various other topics.

ADJOURN

President **Scott Espindola** adjourned the meeting at 12:14 pm.

The monthly meeting of the Southern California APCO Frequency Advisory Committee was held immediately following lunch.

Minutes prepared by,

Kathleen Hardin
Secretary, California Public-Safety Radio Association