



**Burnet County
Office Emergency Management**



**Burnet County CERT
General Meeting
Agri-Life, 607 N Vandever St,
South Wing, Rm 13, Burnet, Texas
August 21, 2025 - 1800 Hours**

Called to Order: Brenda Conn, President

Activities since last General Meeting, April 10, 2025

Minutes from April 10, 2025 General Meeting - Posted (18 attended)

Minutes from June 12, 2025 – Officer’s Meeting - Posted (5 attended)

BOPATE - April 26, 2025 (5 Participants)

Activation - Post Flooding Community Support

Revising Burnet County CERT Policy and Procedures - In progress

Officer Reports

Brenda Conn-President/Membership, Lynn Smith -Vice-President, Ann Hoskins-Secretary, Vee Brown-Web Master, Toni Hauer-Logistics, Jim Gallagher- Support Position, Robyn Richter- Training

CERT Executive Staff Report – Derek Marchio

New Business / Announcements

Officers Meeting September 18, 2025

New class to start October 2, 2025

No General Meeting October 9, 2025 due to class

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No training - After Action Reporting from activation(s)



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BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Brenda Conn, Lynn Smith, Vee Brown, Robyn Richter, Jim Gallagher, Ann Hoskins, Toni Hauer

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Brenda Conn at 1800 Hours.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from April 10, 2025, General Meeting and June 12, 2025, Officer's Meeting were approved as posted on the website.

ACTIVITIES SINCE LAST GENERAL MEETING, April 10, 2025

- BOPATE on April 26, 2025 (5 CERT participants)
- Officer's Meeting - June 12, 2025 (5 Board members)
- Activation on July 9, 2025 - Post Flooding Community Support at Burnet County Reuse and Recycle Center
- Second Activation on July 10, 2025 at Burnet Community Center
- Third Activation on August 12, 2025 at ARK
- Continue revising Burnet CERT Policy and Procedures

VOLUNTEER HOURS: Reminder if no CERT sign in page to login and submit hours on CERT web site.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Lynn Smith will start working on getting CERT set up as a 501(c)(3) organization which will allow CERT to apply for grants in the area. Derek said he knows of two groups (Hayes county and Killeen) that are 501(c)(3) and knows of one person that is familiar with the steps and will contact them to assist Lynn.

Vee Brown reminds all to let her know of phone number and email changes so she can update the information.

Toni Hauer did the scheduling for the three activations and appreciates all the people that helped. ARK is still in need of one to two people a day for next month to help with donations and displaying merchandise to encourage buying by the public. Many of the regular ARK volunteers are burned out by the Post Flooding work and the large amount of donations. Shifts at the ARK will be in window of 11am to 5pm Monday to Friday and either one or two shifts during this window.

Robyn Richter reminded of new class start October 2, 2025 from 1830 to 2130 and all current CERT members are encouraged to attend as many classes as they want for review and to assist.

CERT EXECUTIVE STAFF REPORT: Derek Marchio

Starting with July 4, 2025 the flood watches on the Llano River, July 5, 2025 the flood notifications on the Guadalupe River, the flash flood warnings, the excessive rain in Burnet County in a short time and the loss of Chief Phillips, Dereck outlined all the happenings. LCRA reported Cow Creek area with 24” of rain and Burnet 18+” of rain in a very short period of time on July 5, 2025.

Derek stated the response from the city, county and state was amazing. The ARK served meals and provided support for over 500 people in the county. The information on using the iSTAT tool during the first 4 days, allowed assistance in record time for the county. The pSTAT tool allowed the government to report damage to roads and crossings. Reported 5.8 million in damage to the city and county.

Derek requested support from the Incident Support Task Force and was able to get people on site to help in getting things accomplished.

Discussion on ways to get alerts for hazardous conditions and evacuations. Derek went through iPhone and Androids and different settings to get notifications. Next a discussion on siren warnings systems and the effectiveness.

Derek had requested a new position for an EMC assistant, but this budget cycle will not have any new positions in the county.

NEXT MEETINGS

- Officers Meeting - September 18, 2025
- No General Meeting on October 9, 2025 due to a class night

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Submitted by Ann Hoskins