

Here are the official meeting minutes, revised for consistency with the verified treasurer's report and formatted for clarity.

Houston Council of Safety Professionals

Meeting Minutes – February 13, 2026

Location: Battleground Golf Course

Presiding: Rhianna Stepp | Secretary: Henry Vargas

Call to Order: 11:00 AM

Opening: Prayer (Dan), Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Prior Minutes

- **Motion to approve, seconded, and carried. Copies available on tables and will be posted to the website.**

Treasurer's Report (Lonnie Bennett)

- **Beginning Balance (1/1/26): \$8,408.21**
- **Income: \$1,406.40 (Monthly Meeting) + \$2,853.12 (2026 Dues)**
- **Expenses: \$200.00 (Website) + \$1,296.73 (Golf Course) + \$38.18 (Badge) = \$1,534.91**
- **Ending Balance (1/31/26): \$11,132.82**
- **Motion to accept, seconded, and carried.**

Old Business

- **Recognition referenced for Joe Atkinson.**
- **Prior discussions noted on golf tournaments and TDC planning.**

New Business

- **Golf Tournament (Mar 30 @ Battleground): Sponsors and teams needed. Coordinate with Mike Ludeke.**
- **TDC Truck Driving Championship (Apr 24–25): Friday for pre-trip/setup; Saturday for competition. Applications must be printed and submitted in person with payment. Contact: Sylvia.**
- **Safety Program Reminder: Approx. 10 days left to submit materials for Safety Director/Practitioner program.**
- **Texas Challenge (Jun 8): Registration packets available.**

Guest Presentation (Amy March – Technology & AI in Safety)

- **Shift from reactive to predictive safety using AI and data integration (telematics, cameras, sensors).**
- **Key focus: Pair technology with coaching and policy enforcement.**
- **Considerations: data quality, cybersecurity, change management, ROI, and regulations.**

Announcements

- **TDC dates corrected to April 24–25 (Fri/Sat).**
- **Door prizes/raffle held.**

Adjournment: 1:00 PM