



BAYOU CANE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Administration Division

MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

November 18, 2024

The Board of Commissioners of Bayou Cane Fire Protection District of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, met at the main station on Monday, November 18, 2024, at 11:30 AM.

Robert Page called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. Upon roll call by Angela Hidalgo, the following Commissioners were present: Hayward Sims, Robert Page, Ed Lawson. Jacob Rhodes, Travis Gravois. Suzanne Carlos and Steve Fulmar were recorded as absent. Others in attendance were Kenny Hill, Kay Hebert, Toby Henry, Greg Boudreaux, Brent Tinkes, Brian Boudreaux, Tim Guidry, Louis Eschete, Mike Palmer, Ricky Valenti, Adam Schmitt, Chris Melancon, Daniel Blanchard, Brandon Pitre, Angela Hidalgo, Sonja Labat and Dana Schwab.

No one from the public addressed the board.

Motion by Jacob Rhodes, seconded by Ed Lawson, to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2024 meeting. Motion passed.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Chief Himel discussed the proposed changes to inventory tax. A motion was made by Ed Lawson, seconded by Jacob Rhodes to a resolution opposing the elimination of the inventory tax; motion passed.

A motion was made by Hayward Sims, seconded by Ed Lawson, to update the list of check signers to include the removal of Nicholas Hebert. Motion carried.

Chief Himel discussed the FY 2025 Budget and announced that a Public Hearing will be held on December 16, 2024.

Staff Reports: Chief Ken Himel reported there were 281 calls for the month of October. He presented the breakdown for the month and the analytics report.

Fire Prevention Chief Mike Palmer reported on the New Business Construction Report, renovations, smoke alarm installations, permits, fireworks permits, and annual inspections. The district held school outreach events, reaching 1,174 students.

EMS Chief Toby Henry reported the EMS reserve unit is back and will be in service within a month. He reported on current EMS training and ambulatory transportations.

Chief of Operations Brain Boudreaux reported the new engine will arrive August/September of next year, as expected. He also reported on fire response at Butler Aviation and Haz Mat response at the Holiday Inn.

Chief of Administration, Kenny Hill, reported the expenses are currently at 83% of budget. The Burn Building reimbursement request was sent to State of LA for \$207,315.32 and should be received by the end of the year. The CEA for \$200k for Training was also sent to the State of LA and is awaiting signature. An RFP was solicited for concrete work around the building and is set to take proposals this Wednesday at 2:00 pm. Finally, Station 4 renovations are underway and should be finished early next week.

Motion by Travis Gravois, seconded by Ed Lawson, to approve the financial report as presented. Motion passed.

Board Members: None.

Motion by Jacob Rhodes, seconded by Ed Lawson to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 p.m. Motion passed. The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday, December 16, 2024, at 11:30 a.m.

Travis Gravois, Secretary

Angela Hidalgo, Accountant