

BAYOU CANE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Kenneth P. Himel, Jr. Fire Chief

MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING June 11, 2018

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, June 11, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.

The Chairman, Nick Hebert, called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. Upon roll call by Ms. Angela Rains, the following Commissioners were present: Ms. Suzanne Carlos, Mr. Travis Gravois, Mr. Nick Hebert, and Mr. Ed Lawson. Mr. Robert Page was recorded as absent. Others in attendance were Pernell Pellegrin, Ken Himel, Kenny Hill, Kay Hebert, Mike Delaune, Brain Boudreaux, Chris Melancon, Angela Rains, and Patty Floyd.

Approval for the minutes from the May 14, 2018 meeting was deferred until the July meeting.

No one from the Public addressed the Board.

Mr. Pernell Pellegrin of Martin & Pellegrin CPAs presented the 2017 Audit Report. There is an unqualified opinion as a result of the audit and he thanked the staff of the department for their assistance.

Fire Chief Ken Himel briefly discussed the new business construction report. There were 6 new permits issued and 166 calls for the month of May 2018. 253 inspections, 0 fire investigations and 5 fire prevention events were held, reaching 297 people.

A motion was offered by Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Gravois to approve the financial report as presented. Motion passed.

Under Board Members, Ms. Carlos mentioned the passing of Mr. A.J. Cavalier and inquired if the department assisted with the funeral arrangements. Chief Himel reported there were two deaths of fellow firefighters that the department assisted in the funeral arrangements.

Mr. Nick Hebert reported that the district will continue to discuss ballot initiatives and other proposals/funding structures for the future, given the budget concerns.

Fire Chief Himel also mentioned that Chris Melancon is the new Batallian Chief effective June 4, 2018. Chief also reported that the department received a call inquiring if they have a charitable program for children in need of bicycles. Fire fighter Landon Lebouef took this call, and Chief recognized and thanked him for purchasing a bicycle for this child in need.

Mr. Hebert then held a brief discussion about the possibility of pursuing a charitable initiative in the Fall of 2018. Chief mentioned that there is discussion about creating a 501(c)3 organization to support this effort. He mentioned in the past the department has participated in a toy drive.



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Chris Melancon reported on a recent fire the department responded to in the community. Chief reported that the department did an outstanding job protecting the home and salvaging some personal affects of the victim.

A motion was offered by Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Carlos to adjourn the meeting at 11:54 a.m. Motion passed. The next regular scheduled meeting is July 9, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.

Travis Gravois, Secretary

Angela Rains, Accountant