

BAYOU CANE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD NICHOLAS HEBERT MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

December 12, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of Bayou Cane Fire Protection District of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, met on Monday, December 12, 2022, at 11:30 a.m.

Nicholas Hebert called the meeting to order at 11:41 a.m. Upon roll call by Sonja Labat, the following Commissioners were present: Nicholas Hebert, Robert Page, Suzanne Carlos and Jacob Rhodes via telephone. The following Commissioners were absent: Hayward Sims, Travis Gravois and Ed Lawson. Others in attendance were Chief Himel, Chief Hill, Sonja Labat, Mike Palmer, Greg Boudreaux, Toby Henry, Chief Boudreaux, Patti Floyd, Kay Hebert, Adam Schmidt, Cody Hebert, Tim Guidry, Blake Rodriguez, Jack Rice, Michael Genovese, Nathan Allen, Trey Hymel, Stephen Battaglia, Brent Tinkes, Joel Pellerin and Lou Eschete.

It was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 14, 2022. Motion passed.

No one from the Public addressed the Board.

Chief Himel discussed 2022 budget amendments and presented the 2023 proposed budget to include the budget message. It was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to approve the 2022 budget amendments. Motion passed. It was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to open public. Motion passed. Being there was no public, it was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to close public. Motion passed. It was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to adopt the 2023 proposed budget to include the typo correction. Motion passed.

It was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to authorize the account signers to sign the renewal signature cards. Motion passed.

Chief Hill discussed the Station 4 repairs. Milford and Associates put out a bid packet and received three quotes. Digger Construction, Inc. was the lowest bidder at a cost of \$225,000.00. The bid from Chad Daigle was removed due to errors. It was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to accept the bid from Digger Construction, Inc. at a cost of \$225,000.00. Motion passed.

Chief Hill discussed the classroom building repairs. Milford and Associates put out a bid packet and received four quotes. Digger Construction, Inc. was the lowest bidder at a cost of \$17,800.00. It was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to accept the bid from Digger Construction, Inc. at a cost of \$17,800.00. Motion passed.



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The Chairman advised that B1 Bank agreed to match the LAMP rate. It was motioned by Suzanne Carlos, seconded by Robert Page to authorize accounting to reach out to B1 Bank. Motion passed.

Chief Himel discussed the Fire Chief's report. There were three new construction permits. Chief also discussed major renovations and twelve permits. There were ten smoke alarms installed. There were 156 calls in November. Chief thanked everyone for their hard work. He also thanked the board. He wished everyone a Happy Holiday Season. The fire at Marietta Place was briefly discussed.

It was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to approve the November financials. Motion passed.

Robert Page thanked everyone as it is a pleasure working with everyone. Suzanne Carlos advised that it was a pleasure to serve on the Board and is happy to see the EMS division. The Chairman mentioned the district's large budget and discussed the district's Santa parades. He discussed the board member terms that are up for renewal.

Chief Himel swore in four new firefighters; Nathan Allen, Joel Pellerin, Michael Genovese and Brent Tinkes.

Everyone was wished a Merry Christmas and safe Holiday Season!!

A motion was offered by Jacob Rhodes, seconded by Robert Page to adjourn the meeting at 12:23 p.m. Motion passed. The next regular scheduled meeting is January 9, 2023 at 11:30 am.

Travis Gravois, Secretary

Sonia Dabat, Accountant