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# OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD NICHOLAS HEBERT MINUTES

#### REGULAR BOARD MEETING

#### **September 11, 2023**

The Board of Commissioners of Bayou Cane Fire Protection District of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, met on Monday, September 11, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.

Nicholas Hebert called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. Upon roll call by Sonja Labat, the following Commissioners were present: Nicholas Hebert, Robert Page, Hayward Sims, Suzanne Carlos, Ed Lawson and Jacob Rhodes. The following Commissioners were absent: Travis Gravois. Others in attendance were Sonja Labat, Angela Hidalgo, Patti Floyd, Chief Hill, Mike Palmer, Chief Henry, Chief Boudreaux, Kay Hebert, Greg Boudreaux, Lou Eschete, Cody Hebert, Tim Guidry, Cameron Lacoste and Josh Guidry.

A moment of silence was taken in memory of September 11th.

It was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 14, 2023. Motion passed.

No one from the Public addressed the Board.

A motion was offered by Ed Lawson, seconded by Hayward Sims to approve a resolution authorizing the Fire Chief to executive a cooperative endeavor agreement with the State of Louisiana and the Louisiana Department of the Treasury for the State appropriation funding in the amount of \$850,000 for the burn building. Motion passed.

A motion was offered by Ed Lawson, seconded by Jacob Rhodes to execute a contract with Jahnke and Sons Construction for the training tower, pending exit clause due to not receiving State funding and legal review. Motion passed.

Chief Hill discussed the Fire Chief's report. The new construction and permit reports were discussed. There were 207 calls in August and 1,420 year to date calls. The AFG Radio Grant was briefly discussed and the scheduled delivery is at the end of October. The other departments were billed. Chief Henry advised the board that the permitting is done and they are working on the software and billing. He hopes to be in service as of November 1<sup>st</sup>. The second unit is in Harvey and should be here next week. Chief Boudreaux advised the board that a crew was dispatched to the Tiger Island fire in Beauregard as it was a new experience for the district. The marsh fire was also discussed and the other departments that assisted were recognized.

The Chairman discussed the August financial reports. It was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Ed Lawson to approve the August financials. Motion passed. The B1 Bank CD is a nine-month CD



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maturing in December. The board discussed either pulling the money out or roll it over while the rates are up.

The board is thankful to the team for their dedication to the district and wishes them success and safety. Keep up the good work and be safe. The Chairman discussed marsh fire comments from the public. He also asked everyone for their participation with Hero Fest.

A motion was offered by Robert Page, seconded by Ed Lawson to adjourn the meeting at 12:06 p.m. Motion passed. The next regular scheduled meeting is October 9, 2023 at 11:30 am.

Travis Gravois, Secretary

Sonja Labat, Accountant