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MINUTES

April 17, 2023

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, April 17, 2023, at 11:30 AM.

The Chairman, Nick Hebert called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. Upon roll call by Angela Hidalgo, the following Commissioners were present: Nick Hebert, Robert Page, Suzanne Carlos (11:44 a.m.) Travis Gravois, Jacob Rhodes and Ed Lawson. Hayward Sims was recorded as absent. Others in attendance were Brian Boudreaux, Toby Henry, Kay Hebert, Louis Eschete, Josh Guidry, Cody Hebert, Brent Tinkes, Cameron Deroche, Adam Schmitt, Patty Floyd, Kenny Hill, Trey Hymel, Joel Pellegrin, Gregory Boudreaux, Mike Palmer, Brian Boudreaux, Tim Guidry, Sonja Labat, and Angela Hidalgo.

Motion by Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2023, meeting. Motion passed.

Under Public Comments, none.

New Business, Chief Hill discussed the contract for the maintenance shop building. Motion by Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Gravois, to award to Sage Construction in the amount of \$151,235.36 and allow the Chief to execute necessary documents. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Gravois, to approve the resolution to adopt the 2023 millage rate. Motion carried.

Chief Hill discussed the purchase of fuel tanks. Motion by Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Page to authorize the purchase of two fuel tanks in the amount of \$21,834.37. Motion carried.

Staff Reports, there were 191 calls for the month of March, and 539 calls year-to-date. Chief Henry reported on the EMT class update. He stated that one ambulance has arrived and is currently being outfitted with stickers, etc. The ambulatory billing contract is underway and everything to implement is on schedule. Chief Hill reported that the AFG Radio Grant has been awarded to Bayou Cane and is shared with other local fire departments with a 90%/10% cost shared by all districts. Being this is a federal grant; a single audit will be required. Bayou Cane's amount of grant award is \$570,680. Chief Boudreaux noted the Firehouse Subs grant has been applied for, with the intent to purchase a Polaris Ranger. Will have an update at the next meeting.



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Financial Report, Mr. Hebert noted that funds have been moved to b1 Bank in a 9-month CD due to higher interest rate yields. Motion by Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Carlos, to accept the financial report as presented. Motion carried.

Under Board Member Comments, Ms. Carlos expressed her enthusiasm about the ambulances. Mr. Lawson was pleased with the AFG Radio Grant. Mr. Hebert mentioned that b1 Bank was very complimentary of the firefighter's efforts at a recent incident.

Motion by Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Gravois to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 p.m. Motion passed. The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday, May 8, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.

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Travis Gravois, Secretary

Handwritten signature of Angela Hidalgo in blue ink.

Angela Hidalgo,