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OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD NICHOLAS HEBERT MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

November 13, 2023

The Board of Commissioners of Bayou Cane Fire Protection District of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, met on Monday, November 13, 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, Travis Gravois, Suzanne Carlos and Jacob Rhodes. The following Commissioners were absent: Ed Lawson and Hayward Sims. Others in attendance were Sonja Labat, Angela Hidalgo, Danna Schwab, Chief Himel, Chief Hill, Mike Palmer, Chief Henry, Chief Boudreaux, Kay Hebert, Greg Boudreaux, Lou Eschete, Tim Guidry, Josh Guidry, Ricky Valenti, Brent Tinkes, Stephen Battaglia, Sean Torgrimson, Devon Daigle and Shelby Picou.

It was motioned by Travis Gravois, seconded by Jacob Rhodes to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 9, 2023. Motion passed.

No one from the Public addressed the Board.

Chief Himel briefly discussed the 2024 budget which will be on the agenda for the December meeting.

Chief Himel discussed the Legislative Auditor's changes to the open meetings law.

Chief Himel discussed the Fire Chief's report. There was one new commercial construction permit, three commercial major renovation permits and three smoke alarms. There were 231 calls year to date and 188 year to date calls in the year 2022. There were 53 EMS calls last week. Of the 53 calls, 38 were transported to a nearby hospital. Chief Henry advised that they were very busy on Monday when the truck was put into service. They rolled three calls to Acadian. He feels there are still some things to be learned and briefly discussed reporting issues. Chief Himel provided an update on the burn building project. The cost will be included in the 2024 budget.

The Chairman discussed the October financial reports. It was motioned by Robert Page, seconded by Travis Gravois to defer the approval of the October financials until the December meeting. Motion passed.

Chief Himel introduced Ricky as he has been transferred to the position of Fire Prevention Officer.

Travis Gravois advised that it was exciting to see the new units in service. He also reminded everyone to go vote. Jacob Rhodes and Robert Page commended the staff for a job well done. Robert also discussed the status of the fire on Bull Run Road. The district will assist Schriever Fire Department if



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needed. The Chairman discussed the great job with the truck ceremony and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

A motion was offered by Robert Page, seconded by Travis Gravois to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 p.m. Motion passed. The next regular scheduled meeting is December 11, 2023 at 11:30 am.

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Travis Gravois, Secretary

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sonja Labat".

Sonja Labat, Accountant