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## OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD NICHOLAS HEBERT BOARD CHAIRMAN

## **MINUTES**

## SPECIAL BOARD MEETING November 14, 2022

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, November 14, 2022 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, Hayward Sims, Jacob Rhodes and Ed Lawson. Suzanne Carlos and Travis Gravois were recorded as absent. Others in attendance were Ken Himel, Toby Henry, Kay Hebert, Gregory Boudreaux, Mike Palmer, Brian Boudreaux, Mike Montamat, Devin Bousegard, Tim Guidry, Chris Melancon, Sonja Labat, and Angela Hidalgo.

Under Public Comments, none.

Old Business, Mr. Hebert discussed the current bank rates. No action was taken; however, this item will be brought back before the board next month for possible action.

New Business, Chief Himel presented the proposed 2023 Budget. No action was taken; however, this item will be brought back before the board next month for adoption.

Staff Report, Chief Himel reported 9 new permits, 2 new construction, 5 renovations, 14 smoke alarms, 1782 children and 425 adults reached for Fire Prevention, 188 calls for the month of October, with 1692 calls year-to-date.

Chief also updated the board on the following: the Community Disaster Loan process with FEMA is complete; State funds for ambulance and ambulatory equipment in the amount of \$600,000 has been deposited and the invoices for the two ambulances have been paid; there will be training at On Scene Training three days this week; still waiting on multi-agency grants for radios and the SAFER grant.

The following firefighters were sworn in: Toby Henry – EMS Chief, Devin Bousegard – Firefighter, Tim Guidry – Prevention Officer, Mike Palmer – Prevention Chief. Chief Himel also awarded Chris Melancon a pin for completing the International Association of Fire Chiefs program.

Under Board Member Comments, Mr. Hebert congratulated Brian Boudreaux and A'aron Wolfe for completing 2022 Leadership Terrebonne.

Motion by Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Page to adjourn the meeting at 11:52 a.m. Motion passed. The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday, December 12, 2022 at 11:30 a.m.

Travis Gravois, Secretary

Angela Hidalgo, Accountant