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OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD NICHOLAS HEBERT MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

October 10, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of Bayou Cane Fire Protection District of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, met on Monday, October 10, 2022, 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, Jacob Rhodes, Hayward Sims, Suzanne Carlos and Travis Gravois. The following Commissioners were absent: Robert Page 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 and Tim Guidry.

It was motioned by Travis Gravois, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2022. Motion passed.

No one from the Public addressed the Board.

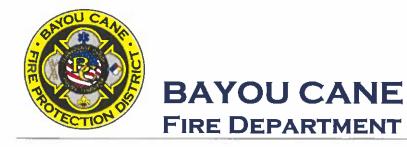
Chief Himel discussed obtaining credit cards for Chief Henry and Chief Palmer with a \$5,000 credit limit. It was motioned by Travis Gravois, seconded by Hayward Sims to provide Chief Henry and Chief Palmer with a credit card. Motion passed.

Chief Himel discussed the base pay of \$10.25. Other local departments have increased to \$10.50. Chief recommended increasing the starting pay to \$10.75. The increase would cost the department approximately \$160,000. It was motioned by Travis Gravois, seconded by Suzanne Carlos to increase base pay to \$10.75. effective at the Chief's discretion. Motion passed.

The Chairman discussed bank rates from South Louisiana Bank and LAMP. This item will be tabled and rates will be obtained from Synergy and B1 banks.

Chief Himel discussed the Fire Chief's report. There were ten construction permits and two new construction permits. There were 183 calls in September and 1502 YTD calls. Chief hopes to know more about the SAFER Grant later this month. Greg Boudreaux will be leaving at the end of March and he would like to get someone on board before he leaves.

Chief Hill updated the board on station repairs. Quotes for the repairs on central station and station 4 should be in for the November meeting. Chief Henry updated the board on the medical equipment. Training will begin tomorrow on the new medical equipment, and it will be placed into service. Five employees will begin paramedic training. Chief Hill advised that the CDL paperwork has gone through and he is waiting to hear back.



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It was motioned by Jacob Rhodes, seconded by Hayward Sims to approve the September financials. Motion passed.

The board congratulated the promotions in the district. Chief Himel distributed challenge coins to the board members, the attorney and the accountant.

A motion was offered by Travis Gravois, seconded by Jacob Rhodes to adjourn the meeting at 12:07 p.m. Motion passed. The next regular scheduled meeting is November 14, 2022 at 11:30 am.

Traxis Gravois, Secretary

Sonja Labat, Accountant