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OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD NICHOLAS HEBERT MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

March 8, 2021

The Board of Commissioners of Bayou Cane Fire Protection District of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, met on Monday, March 8, 2021, at 11:30 a.m.

Robert Page called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. Upon roll call by Ms. Sonja Labat, the following Commissioners were present: Jacob Rhodes, Hayward Sims, Robert Page, Ed Lawson, Travis Gravois and Suzanne Carlos arriving at 11:39. The following Commissioners were absent: Nicholas Hebert. Others in attendance were Chief Himel, Chief Hill, Greg Boudreaux, Mike Palmer, Mike Delaune, Patti Floyd, Kay Hebert, John Poiencot, Angela Hidalgo and Sonja Labat.

It was motioned by Ed Lawson, seconded by Jacob Rhodes, to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2021. Motion passed.

No one from the Public addressed the Board.

It was motioned by Ed Lawson, seconded by Travis Gravois, to approve the audit engagement letter from Martin and Pellegrin. Motion passed.

Mr. Richard Bourg would like to remain the district civil service representative. It was motioned by Ed Lawson, seconded by Travis Gravois to renew his position as the district's civil service representative. Motion passed.

It was motioned by Travis Gravois, seconded by Ed Lawson, to remove Jeff, Leslie and Doc (past board members) from the signature card at Synergy Bank. Motion passed. It was motioned by Suzanne Carlos, seconded by Travis Gravois to add Chief Himel and Nicholas Hebert to the signature card at Synergy Bank. Motion passed.

It was motioned by Travis Gravois, seconded by Ed Lawson, to remove Ronnie Picou and Robert Arceneaux from the signature card at South Louisiana Bank. Motion passed.

Chief Himel discussed the millage renewal. To get on the October 9th ballot, the deadline is June 16th. To get on the November 13th ballot, the deadline is September 20th. The board discussed costs for a single ballot election.

Chief Hill discussed the Fire Hydrant Installation Project. The district will receive \$100,000 in State funding for this project. Once the CEA is completed, the funds will be used to install fire hydrants on the training field and in various locations throughout the district. It was motioned by Ed Lawson,



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seconded by Hayward Sims, to authorize the Fire Chief to sign and execute the CEA after it has been approved by legal. Motion passed.

Chief Hill discussed the concrete bids received from Milford and Associates. Milford and Associates recommended to award proposals 1 and 2 to LA Contracting Enterprises at a cost of \$127,072.00 as they were the lowest bidder. It was motioned by Ed Lawson, seconded by Suzanne Carlos, to award the concrete bid to LA Contracting Enterprises. Motion passed.

Chief Himel discussed the Fire Chief's report. There were 143 calls in the month of February and 108 in February 2020. There were 288 year to date calls and 231 year to date calls in 2020. There were two permits in the month of February. The Chief also reported on Covid19. The Chief discussed some of the older fire trucks, such as truck 22.

It was motioned by Travis Gravois, seconded by Suzanne Carlos, to approve the February financials. Motion passed. Robert Page also discussed the current truck debt.

Robert Page discussed a recent fire in the district.

A motion was offered by Ed Lawson, seconded by Hayward Sims to adjourn the meeting at 12:17 p.m. Motion passed. The next regular scheduled meeting is April 12, 2021 at 11:30 am.

Travis Gravois, Secretary

Sonja Labat Accountant