



FIRE CHIEF J.T. WALLACE, JR.

**BENTON FIRE DISTRICT 4**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**JULY 19, 2022 MINUTES**

**TIME OF MEETING – 3:00 PM**

**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Barnette called the regular scheduled public meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order. Chief Turner called roll as follows:

**ROLL CALL:** Board members **PRESENT** – Johnny Barnette, Jason McGinty, Sammy Halphen, Stephanie Collier, and Jay Valentine

Board members **ABSENT** – NONE

Others **PRESENT** – Fire Chief JT Wallace Jr., Tim Turner, Hurmon Gibson, and Travis Morehart

The public meeting was held in the Board Room of the Bossier Parish EMS and Fire Complex, located at 5275 Swan Lake Road, Bossier City, Louisiana 71111.

**INVOCATION:** The invocation was given by Jay Valentine

**AUDIT: TRAVIS MOREHART (MOVED TO 1<sup>ST</sup> ORDER OF BUSINESS)**

*Travis Morehart from Cook & Morehart presented the results of the 2022 audit. Travis reported that the audit was very good and the district had no findings.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 21, 2022 BOC MEETING**

*Questions/Discussion about BOC minutes from June 21, 2022 --- NONE*

**MOTION** was made by SAMMY HALPHEN and seconded by STEPHANIE COLLIER to accept and approve the written minutes for the meeting held on June 21, 2022.

Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.



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APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIALS THROUGH JULY 15, 2022

*Questions/Discussion about Financials through July 15, 2022: ---- NONE*

**MOTION** was made by JAY VALENTINE and seconded by SAMMY HALPHEN to approve of the financials through July 15, 2022. Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

UPDATE: STATION 3 CONSTRUCTION

*Chief Wallace reported that the district is still working with Cochran Construction to get the cost of construction down. At this time the district has not signed a contract to begin construction.*

UPDATE: SCBA PURCHASE

*Chief Wallace reported that the district is waiting on the AG opinion before moving forward with the purchasing of the new SCBA.*

UPDATE: FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

*Update: Fire Prevention Bureau: Chief Wallace reported that there is no news to report, the district is waiting on a response from the Fire Marshal.*



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**NEW BUSINESS**

**AUDIT (MOVED TO 1<sup>ST</sup> ORDER OF BUSINESS)**

**FIRE RECOVERY REVENUE FOR 2022**

*Chief Turner presented the Fire Recovery report for funds received through July 15, 2022. Chief Turner reported that the amount received this year was about the same as the amount received in the same time period last year.*

**CIVIL SERVICE/INTERNAL PERSONNEL ACTION FORM(S)**

*Civil Service/Internal Personnel Action Forms were made available for all board members to review. The PA forms included: De'Anthony Lewis (Confirmation and Resignation) and termination of extended sick leave for Ashley Kennington.*

**MOTION** was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by JASON MCGINTY to approve the Civil Service/Internal PA forms as written. Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** was made by SAMMY HALPHEN and seconded by STEPHANIE COLLIER to adjourn. Chairman Barnette called for public comment. There being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.