



FIRE CHIEF J.T. WALLACE, JR.

BENTON FIRE DISTRICT 4

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 18, 2024 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** – Stephanie Collier, Kenneth Ashley, Sammy Halphen, Gerald Huddleston, and Johnny Barnette

Board members **ABSENT** – NONE

Others **PRESENT** – Tim Turner, Hurmon Gibson, and Jonathan Davis

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: Jonathan Davis

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 21, 2024 BOC MEETING

Questions/Discussion about BOC public meeting minutes held on May 21, 2024---None

MOTION was made by SAMMY HALPHEN and seconded by STEPHANIE COLLIER to accept and approve the written minutes for the BOC public meeting held on May 21, 2024. Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIALS AS OF JUNE 14, 2024

Questions/Discussion about Financials as of June 14, 2024: ---- None

MOTION was made by SAMMY HALPHEN and seconded by GERALD HUDDLESTON to approve of the financials as of June 14, 2024. Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.



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OLD BUSINESS

UPDATE: APPARATUS PURCHASE

Chief Turner informed the board that Chief Wallace, Stephen Lewis, Dusty Johnson, and Jacob Maddox were currently in Pennsylvania to inspect the new apparatus. After inspection, if the apparatus is accepted, they will be delivered within a couple of weeks.

UPDATE: TAX MILLAGE

Chief Turner informed the board that the Tax Assessors office is still in the process of reassessment, there is nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS

BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENT

No action was necessary, moved to next agenda item.

STATION 2 DOCK

Jonathan Davis informed the board that the BPPJ are considering building a dock across from station 2 to use for the deployment of boat(s) and resources in the event of an emergency on Black Bayou. BFD4 would need permission to use the land (it could be added to the current station 2 agreement the district has with Cypress Park) At this time no action has been taken, the board will be informed as more information is gathered.

AUDIT

Chief Turner informed the board that the 2024 audit is complete. A representative from Cook and Morehart will attend the July board meeting to discuss the results. There were no findings.



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REMOVE INVENTORY

A list of items that are no longer serviceable was included in the board packet for review. All items are computer hardware related with the exception of an inflatable rescue boat. The items must be declared salvage in order to discard/destroy. Chief Turner informed the board that all hard drives would be properly disposed of by Scott Monceaux. Chairman Barnette inquired about the inflatable rescue boat. Jonathan Davis stated that the seams of the boat are damaged and it is not repairable.

MOTION was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by GERALD HUDDLESTON to declare the items listed as salvage. Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

CIVIL SERVICE/INTERNAL PERSONNEL ACTION FORM(S)

Civil Service/Internal PA Form(s) were presented to all board members for review. There is one PA form for Daven Lazenby (certification pay increase).

MOTION was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by SAMMY HALPHEN to approve the Internal/Civil Service PA forms. 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 GERALD HUDDLESTON to adjourn. Chairman Barnette called for public comment. There being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.