



FIRE CHIEF J.T. WALLACE, JR.

**BENTON FIRE DISTRICT 4****BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING****JUNE 18, 2019 BOC MINUTES****TIME OF MEETING 3:00 PM**

Board Chairman, Johnny Barnette, called the regular scheduled public meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order. Chief Turner called roll as follows: Board members Johnny Barnette, Stephanie Collier, John Whittington, Jay Valentine, and Jason McGinty – **PRESENT**. Chief Wallace, Assistant Chief Tim Turner, Assistant Chief Hurmon Gibson, and Captain Jacob Maddox were also present. The meeting was held in the Board Room of the Bossier Parish EMS and Fire Complex, 5275 Swan Lake Road, Bossier City, Louisiana. The invocation was given by Jay Valentine.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MAY 21, 2019 BOARD MEETING**

- *MAY 21, 2019 BOC Minutes questions/discussion: -----NONE*

**MOTION** was made by JOHN WHITTINGTON and seconded by STEPHANIE COLLIER to accept the written minutes for the board meeting held on May 21, 2019. The Chairman called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS AS OF JUNE 14, 2019**

- *Questions/Discussion about Financials through JUNE 14, 2019: ----- NONE*

**MOTION** was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by JOHN WHITTINGTON to approve the written Financial Reports as of June 14, 2019. The Chairman called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS****AUDIT UPDATE**

- *Chief Wallace informed the board that the audit has been completed and the exit interview is scheduled for June 27<sup>th</sup>. Chief informed the board that there were no findings.*
- *Chief informed the board of the possibility of adding Modica Lott Rd to the district or the possibility of creating a new fire district to cover the area and discussed the need for more funding.*
- *Chief stated that Modica Lott Road is in a grey area and that we already respond to the area when units are available but the district receives no funding for any services that may be provided.*
- *Chief also stated that in order for the area to be added or a new district formed, there would have to be a vote to do so.*



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**NEW BUSINESS**

**NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

- **Board Chairman Johnny Barnette introduced the new board members, Jay Valentine (Appointed by the BPPJ) and Jason McGinty (Appointed by the Town of Benton). Each of whom took the following oath of office:**

*I, Julian Jay Valentine/Jason McGinty, solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution and Laws of the United States and the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana; and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all of the duties incumbent on me as a member of the Board of Commissioners for Benton Fire District No. 4 according to the best of my ability and understanding, so help me God.*

**CIVIL SERVICE/INTERNAL PERSONNEL ACTION FORMS**

- **Questions/Discussion about PA forms ---- The PA forms were made available to all board members for review.**
  - **James Cassel: PA Form: Terminate Temporary Appointment**
  - **Kevin Kidwell: PA Form: Terminate Extended Sick Leave**

**MOTION** was made by JOHN WHITTINGTON and seconded by STEPHANIE COLLIER to approve and for the chairman to sign all Civil Service/Internal PA forms. The Chairman called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- **Chairman Johnny Barnette asked the board if any other business or topics needed to be discussed. There being none Chairman Barnette called for a motion to adjourn.**

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