

***ST. TAMMANY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #8
Minutes of Board of Commissioners Meeting
July 18, 2018***

Call to Order: 5:30pm

Roll Call:

Jay Hawkins
Ryan Murphy
Sandra Slifer
Ellis Simpson

Also Present:

Janet Dufrene, Board Secretary
Steven Glynn; Fire Chief
Mike Anderson; Resident

Pledge of Allegiance

Hearing of Public Concerns: None

Secretary's Report:

Upon motion by Slifer, seconded by Simpson, the meeting minutes for June were unanimously approved as amended to change Slider on Page 1 to Slifer.

Financial Reports, including a P&L Budget Performance for the month of June 2018 and a Check Register Report for the General Fund Account up to June 30, 2018 were presented. Discussion occurred about the current variances in budget versus actuals. Balance of General Fund as of June 30, 2018 was \$30,935.24. Balance of LAMP General Savings was \$708,387.43 with \$511,191.43 being current year funds, \$70,000 being held back ad val from December and \$127,196.00 being Capital Funds from previous years money. The balance in the LAMP Emergency Fund was \$253,271.16.

Upon motion by Slifer, seconded by Murphy, the financial statements for June 2018 were unanimously approved.

Communication: Michael Anderson has submitted a request to President Brister's office with approval from Richard Tanner to be appointed to the Board of Commissioners in the seat vacated by Dalton Lambert. We are awaiting confirmation that he has been approved.

We are in need of two board members for the Civil Service Board. Mr. Colley has been serving until a replacement can be found. Mr. Prats will be moving to Bogalusa and so will be needing to be replaced also.

Chief Report:

PIAL: Field visit by PIAL representative Ken Weber scheduled for September 25 and 26, 2018.

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Vehicles and Equipment: Mr. Wayne Dykes of Bill Hood Ford reported that our Interceptor SUV (Captain's Vehicle) is scheduled to be built the second week of July. 4 sets of turnout gear were ordered through Louisiana Emergency Equipment.

Annual Testing and Inspection: Hose tests will resume in the fall; pump tests will resume this month. Pump tests are not yet due, but we want to have a current test available for E-85 when PIAL does inspection; hydrant tests are complete for 2018.

Fire Prevention: Inspector Burns will be resuming inspections in August.

Training: The Fire/Rescue 1 Academy course "Firefighter Survival" was assigned for all personnel and "Handling Problems, Conflicts and Mistakes" was assigned for all officers.

Firehouse/Emergency Reporting: Spoke to Bryan Rauch and Luke Northcutt of AT&T regarding FIRSTNET. This program will provide substantial savings on the District's telephone and internet costs even with the addition of wireless for the 5 tablets. Pricing will also be more consistent month to month.

Station Improvements: The stairs for Station 81 will be powder coated steel from Adams Ironworks. Mr. Adams was the low bidder with an estimate of \$17,552, which includes a 15% discount for doing both stairwells. The other bidders were Upside (\$25,903.74) and Charlie Rick Construction (\$34,200).

Bids for the extension of the concrete apron and limestone for the driveway at Station 82 have also been accepted. Mr. Jeff King submitted a bid for \$7021, a bid of \$7025 was submitted by Dane Humphries, and a bid of \$12,600 was submitted by John Houston.

Once the apron and driveway work is completed, we will move to the generator pad and relocation of the water tank.

Firefighter Illness and Injury: No injuries or extended sick leave to report.

Personnel: We have hired three additional part time Firefighters, and we have dismissed a full-time probationary firefighter. The probationary firefighter did not receive certification for Apparatus Operator within his probationary period as required. For now, the second power shift remains suspended and instead we are using one expanded (15 hour) power shift per day.

Chief's Association: Minutes for the June Meeting and July agenda are available.

Old Business:

Finalized Health Insurance Plan Details: Plan details for the new cafeteria plan were presented at the last meeting by the insurance representative. After review all of the information was reviewed three plans were chosen to be presented to the personnel as options for health insurance for the coming year. The employees will have a defined contribution by the district at the rate of the renewal cost for the current plan and they can

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chose to select any of the plans offered and credit the difference in premiums to the purchase of coverage for dependents. Upon motion by Slifer, seconded by Simpson, it was unanimously approved to accept the new cafeteria plans for health insurance for the 2018-2019 year.

Remodel/Repair Station 82:

Upon motion by Murphy, seconded by Simpson, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid by Jeff King of \$7021 to complete the work on the apron and driveway at Station 82.

New Business:

None

Upon motion by Murphy, seconded by Simpson, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.