

## Minutes

### Hodge Fire Protection District 1

#### Regular Meeting

May 16, 2022

The Hodge Fire Protection District 1 board of commissioners met in regular session Monday, May 16, 2022 at the fire station in North Hodge.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Chairman, Ralph Laffitte.

Chairman Laffitte opened the meeting with prayer.

Present: Commissioner, Robbie Howard; Commissioner, Ralph Laffitte; Commissioner, Hal Mims.

Absent: Commissioner, Wes Harvey; Commissioner Thomas Holland Jr.

Guest: Michael Heard, Fire Chief; Heather Holland with On-Scene Fire Services

Comments from guests: None

Amendments to agenda: A motion was made by Mims and second by Howard to revise the agenda to include the termination of BSTROZ1 as collection agency for past due parcels.

Unless otherwise stated all motions were approved unanimously.

Approval of minutes: The minutes of the meeting of March 21, 2022 were approved on a motion by Mims with second by Howard.

Approval of expenditures and collections:

The statements of expenditures and collections for March and April 2022 were approved on a motion by Howard and second by Mims.

Old Business:

The board discussed the lack of past due collections from BSTROZ1 collection service since the passing of the agent, Curtis Roller. The board elected to terminate the use of BSTROZ1 for collection services on a motion by Mims second by Howard.

The board discussed possible collection efforts with On-Scene Fire Services with Mrs. Heather Holland as agent. The board elected to begin using On-Scene Fire Services according to the plan described by Mrs. Holland on a motion by Howard and second by Mims. Mrs. Holland intends to begin collection efforts right away.

New Business: N/A

Fire Chief Report: Chief Heard reported currently 17 volunteer fire fighters for the department. For March chief reported 5 EMS calls, 1 vehicle wreck, 1 grass fire, 12 tree down calls and 2 drills. Chief also reported several fire fighters assisted Mercy Medical move equipment after storm damage to their clinic.

For April, Chief reported 11 EMS calls, 1 tree down, 1 grass fire and 1 regular drill.

Boards members commended the fire fighters for their assistance to the community during the recent tornado damage in Hodge.

Chief Heard reported pumper #757 has had warranty work and others repairs completed and should be back in service soon.

Chairman Laffitte stated the next regular scheduled meeting was set for June 20, 2022 at 6:00 pm.

Their being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:31 pm on a motion by Mims with a second by Howard.