

MINUTES

SPECIAL SESSION

HODGE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 1

January 22, 2024

The Hodge Fire Protection District 1 board of commissioners met in special session Monday, January 22, 2024, at the fire station in North Hodge. This special session was called due to bad weather conditions which occurred on January 15, 2024.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman Ralph Laffitte. Chairman Laffitte opened the meeting with prayer.

Present: Commissioner, Thomas Holland Jr; Commissioner, Robbie Howard; Commissioner, Ralph Laffitte and Commissioner, Hal Mims.

Absent: Commissioner, Wes Harvey

Guests: Chief Michael Heard

Comments from guests; none.

Unless otherwise stated all motions were approved unanimously.

Amendments to agenda: The agenda was amended to include, under new business, the review and approval of repair work to be completed on the septic system at the fire station in North Hodge. Amendment was approved on a motion by Mims with second by Howard.

Approval of minutes: The minutes of the regular meeting held on November 20, 2023, were approved on a motion by Mims and second by Howard.

Approval of financial reports: The statements of expenditures and collections for November and December 2023 were approved on a motion by Howard and second by Holland.

Old Business: Parcel fee collections is continuing.

New Business:

The board discussed the repair work for the septic system for the station in North Hodge at a cost of \$2600 from Tony Duffy. The board approved the repair work to be completed on a motion by Holland and second by Mims.

The board approved paying the annual membership fee for the fire fighters for the Northeast Louisiana Fire Fighters Association at \$15.00 per membership which includes a \$10,000 Line of Duty Death Policy on a motion by Howard and second by Holland.

Chiefs Report: Chief Heard reported 8 EMS calls, 1 grass fire, 1 fire alarm and 1 vehicle wreck for November 2023. For December 2023 Chief reported 11 EMS calls, 2 vehicle wrecks and 1 drill on gas monitor usage.

Chief Heard also reported damage repair cost on the door at the station in East Hodge was \$380.

Chief Heard also reported pumper 757 was back in service after the warranty repair work on the water tank was completed by Passman Services.

The chairman set the next regular meeting for February 19, 2024.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 pm on a motion by Mims and second by Howard.