

## Ward Four FPD Minutes, April 24, 2017

A regular meeting of the Ward Four Fire Protection District of Jackson Parish was called to order at 7:00 p.m., on April 24, 2017, at the fire district's Central Station, located at 261 Hwy 505, Jonesboro, LA . This meeting was called to order by Kent Hightower, fire district board president.

Fire district board members in attendance included Doyce McGuffie, Cliff Rogers, Kent Hightower, and Richard Barlow. Others in attendance included Curtis Roller, Scott Savage, Scotty Nunn, and Heather Holland.

Richard Barlow presented the opening prayer.

There were no public comments.

After reviewing the minutes of the March 27, 2017 fire district board meeting, Richard Barlow offered a motion to accept them as presented. Cliff Rogers seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The fire board next reviewed the March 2017 financials for payment. Cliff Rogers made a motion to accept the report as provided. Doyce McGuffie provided the second, and the motion carried.

The board was then presented with a list of all past due parcel fees to review.

The fire district chief reported on the 2017 annual parcel fee assessment of 1423 mailed and 1084 deposited. Approximately 339 parcel fees were left to be collected for 2017.

The board was then given an update on the memorial project. The district chief had still not received any drawings for the project. The board agreed they were open to any suggestions on alternative companies to provide drawings.

The following item discussed was Tanker 5. The fire district chief stated that the tanker still lacked two lights on the back of the unit, and spanner and hydrant wrenches were on order.

The tanker was ready to be moved to Gladway Station as the custom wrap of the tanker was complete. Rapid Signs had presented a bill in the amount of \$2340.66 for the job. Richard Barlow offered a motion to make payment to Rapid Signs. Cliff Rogers seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The next item of business discussed was the upcoming dive trip to Florida. The board was advised that James Ramsey, Daniel Allen, and Tina Allen were interested in going to complete an Advance Rescue Course. Tyler Tippen and Marc Thomas were already going to Florida for their dive certification. There was discussion of a travel reimbursement being made to the volunteers going. Richard Barlow made a motion to fund the trip to Florida. Doyce McGuffie seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The next two items discussed were the repairs done to the Sandy Ridge pumper and Service 2. The fire chief stated that Fair's Diesel Service had replaced the injectors in the Sandy Ridge pumper, and the unit was back in service. As for the repair on Service 2, it was found by Fair's Diesel Service that the bolt found in the oil pan had been unintentionally left from previous repairs done at their shop. Fair's therefore did not charge the district for the work done to determine this.

The board was then informed that on the previous Thursday night training meeting, the volunteers received new LED flashlights.

A new member application was then presented to the board for Michael Simonelli. Richard Barlow made a motion to accept Michael Simonelli as a probationary volunteer. Doyce McGuffie seconded this action, and the motion carried.

Cliff Rogers then made a motion to pay the auditor for his services. Richard Barlow seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

A discussion then followed of the recent Jackson Parish Police Jury Meeting. Both Curtis Roller and Heather Holland attended the meeting. The meeting held by the Police Jury was to impart that amending agendas required a 100% vote by the board members. The meeting also spoke about executive session and what necessitated having one.

The only dosing comment came from the fire district chief, who spoke about the new Truck 1 recently purchased. The delivery of the truck should take place before the next board meeting. The district chief wanted the board to consider purchasing a 700Hz radio for the truck.

Richard Barlow then made a motion to adjourn. The action was seconded by Doyce McGuffie, and the action passed.